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The Guards Brigade For Singapore

London, Aug. 17.—The British War Office announced today that men of Britain's famed Guards Brigade plus "certain ancillary troops" are to be sent to troubled Malaya as soon as possible "to restore order and confidence."

Their transfer follows last month's decision to re-inforce the military forces in Britain's richest Colony with two other battle hardened formations—the Fourth Hussars from Britain and the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers from Hongkong.

The War Office announcement said the Second Guards Brigade would be going to Singapore thence to Malaya "in view of prevailing conditions of unrest" in the Colony.

MCDONALD'S APPEAL

Informed Whitehall sources said the decision to move the Guards came after the British Government received an appeal for reinforcements from Mr. Malcolm McDonald, Commissioner General for Southeast Asia.

Mr. McDonald reportedly was advised by British civil and military leaders in the course of a Singapore conference recently that more troops are essential if they were successfully to carry the fight into the colony's Communist-led guerrilla jungle strongholds.

Strengthening of the estimated eight battalions of Indian Gurkha troops, now in Malaya, is also under consideration, the sources said. Negotiations for reinforcing them may soon be started between the British and Indian governments.—Associated Press.

GOVERNOR'S WARNING

Singapore, Aug. 17.—Sir Franklin Gimson, Singapore's Governor, warned the Legislative Council today that although crime dropped off last month, there may be trouble ahead. The acting Colonial Secretary, Mr. Andrew Gilmour, said he urged the Chambers of Commerce to increase the guards on godowns and take other precautions because of the danger of "terrorists' attacks."

Mr. Gilmour said Singapore Police, in 25 recent raids to check the spread of terrorism, had detained 195 persons.—Associated Press.

Boat Mistresses Fined

For approaching within 30 yards of the ss Heinrich Jessen, the mistress of a sloop, was fined \$25 or five days by Mr. Calmy at the Marine Court this morning. The master of a sampan was fined \$15 or three days for being under way without navigation lights.

EDITORIAL

The Idealist In Politics

WE have been asked by a reader whether we think the idealist is of any use in politics. If he isn't, Heaven help us—for no one else is of any use whatsoever. Idealism is what the politician of the world is starving for. The party or the statesman with the highest ideals will meet an instant response from the people. "Your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions," says the old prophet. The dreams of the old men need not concern us; but if there are not enough young men who see visions, then the countries of the world will drift along sullenly, and we will be committing the common mistake regarding the idealist as a merely speculative person who indulges in airy projects without regard to the practicalities; such as the famous philosopher of Laputa who had a scheme for extracting sunbeams out of cucumbers—or that other member of the same academy, "a most ingenious architect who had contrived a new method for building houses, by beginning at the roof, and working downwards to the foundation." No doubt Swift's satire is deserved—though the thought arises that the idea of splitting the atom, or sending aeroplanes through the air without pilots, might well have inspired the idealist as a fantastic impossibility. Nevertheless, his laughter at idealism is just, if it is meant by an idealist a man who concentrates on the end without any regard for the means by which that end can be attained. The idealist who is useful and indispensable in politics, is also a realist; an idealist in his vision of

Nearing Coal Target

London, Aug. 17.—Britain is more than half way to its coal export goal for 1948, the National Coal Board said tonight.

The year's target is 9,569,000 long tons. Up to Aug. 7, the Board reported exports totalled 4,981,540 long tons.

Of the exports, 3,730,000 tons or 54 per cent of commitments have gone to countries in the European Recovery Programme and 1,251,540 tons on 47 per cent of the amount specified in trade agreements to other nations.—Associated Press.

Rangoon Attacked By Bandits

Rangoon, Aug. 17.—Early today about 200 bandits raided a northern suburb of Rangoon, it was learned. Officially here, Rangoon has been the target of an insurgent plot which the government uncovered last week.

Bandits surrounded Kamayut, five miles from the centre of the city, and looted houses for three hours. It is estimated that they obtained loot worth about \$15,000. Their main target was the home of a wealthy Indian merchant T. S. Nanjee. The bandits are reported to have robbed his house of nearly \$5,250 in cash and jewellery after overpowering an armed guard.

RIVER CURFEW
Today's official communique announced that a dusk to dawn curfew has been imposed on the Rangoon river to prevent insurgent attempts to push into the city under cover of darkness.

A similar curfew, the communique said, has been imposed by the Government in the north. The communique also reported that more fighting occurred between government troops and insurgents at the 50th milestone in the Prone Road area. The Government forces routed the insurgents who left one dead and abandoned several trucks and jeeps.

An official announcement said that food will be transported into the hinterland to places at which shortages have occurred as a result of insurgent activity and disrupted ground communications.—Associated Press.

Jews, Arabs FIGHTING SOUTH OF JERUSALEM

Plight Of Refugees

Jerusalem, Aug. 17.—Jews and Arabs fought a big artillery duel for five hours today. The battle began at dawn. The Arab fire battered Jewish positions along the entire corridor which cuts the Holy City from north and south.

The Israeli army made no report on the Jewish return fire but Jewish artillery was audible throughout the engagement. Automatic weapons fire cracked from both sides.

Jews heavily attacked Arab Legion positions at Deir Abu Tor in Southern Jerusalem at 8 a.m. local time today, but were thrown back with "several hundred killed," it was officially stated.

An official Arab spokesman said the Jewish attack was supported with tanks, armoured cars and automatic weapons. "The Jews began by shelling Arab positions, but the Legion did not answer until Jews advanced into Arab lines," said the spokesman.

"At that time the Legion fired and the battle raged, after which the Legion pursued the retreating Jews and killed several hundred of them."

"The Legion captured several armoured cars, a quantity of munitions and occupied positions from which the Jews had begun their attack," Associated Press.

GOVT. HOUSE SEIZED

Amman, Aug. 17.—Jewish armoured forces seized the former Government House in Jerusalem, now a Red Cross centre, giving them control of the roads south to Bethlehem, it was officially stated here today.

They smashed through to the centre after heavily shelling the Old City and Arab positions, and were now threatening to cut off Jerusalem and the whole of south Palestine from the Transjordan capital, the Arabs said.

More fighting was reported in the Holy City later today—four weeks after the beginning of the official truce—while Cairo had a 15-minute air raid alert this afternoon.

An Israeli Army communique said tonight that Government House was mortared today by the Arabs. The mortar fire was still continuing intermittently, the communique said.

LIFE OR DEATH

In Damascus, Syria's President Shukri al Kuwaili told Parliament today: "Syria will never abandon her duty of liberating Palestine. I am sure our cause will win in spite of all evil forces."

"The Palestine battle is not over yet. It is a battle for life or death and our duty can be summarised in one word—mobilisation." A peace budget would not lead to victory, he added. They needed a "total change." The President asked Parliament not to be discouraged by seeing the Big Powers supporting Zionism. The Arabs had no aggressive intentions, he added.

Saudi Arabia has allowed a credit for reconstruction from the Export-Import Bank in Washington to run down unused "because of the attitude of the American Government on the Palestine situation." The Export-Import Bank announced that Saudi Arabia had used \$10 million of a \$25 million credit shortly after it was made available in January, 1946, but had used no more of the loan.—Reuters.

REFUGEE PROBLEM

Washington, Aug. 17.—Count Folke Bernadotte, the United Nations Palestine mediator, urgently cabled Mr. George Marshall, the American Secretary of State, today warning him that the fate of 330,000 Arab and 700,000 Jewish refugees was threatening "a sudden human disaster comparable to an earthquake or a tidal wave" in the Middle East.

Appealing to the United States for emergency supplies, Count Bernadotte declared that his successful mediation depended upon the solution of this problem.

"The essential factor is time, as the refugees are being swept by epidemic diseases," he insisted. "Winter is approaching and many must die." He urged that Mr. Marshall reply within 10 days. A State Department

official said that the matter was being given "urgent consideration" Count Bernadotte said that the condition of the refugees was "desperate."

PRACTICALLY NO FOOD

Thirty per cent were children under five and over 10 per cent were pregnant or nursing mothers. "They are almost without food except for small quantities of flour," he added.

Count Bernadotte reminded Mr. Marshall of "the extent and importance of your commercial trade relationships with the Middle East, including Palestine, and suggested this as a reason for urgent action."

He added that he was also applying to the International Children's Emergency Fund for special supplementary provisions for infants, children, pregnant women and nursing mothers.

Yesterday it was announced that the Children's Fund, the World Health Organisation and the International League of Red Cross Societies had promised help.—Reuters.

Given Blood Transfusion

Mrs Kosenkina In Grave Condition

New York, Aug. 17.—Blood was today transfused into Mrs. Oksana Kosenkina, the Russian school teacher lying critically ill in the Roosevelt Hospital here after jumping from a third-floor window of the Soviet Consulate last Thursday.

As a medical bulletin gave the first details of her serious injuries, Justice Samuel Dickstein, of the New York Supreme Court, arrived in Washington to talk with State Department officials about the diplomatic problems created by her case. Mr. Dickstein is the judge who issued a writ last week directing the Soviet Consul General in New York, Mr. Jacob Lomakin, to produce the teacher in his court. Soon afterwards, Mrs. Kosenkina made her jump.

Earlier today, the State Department announced that it was awaiting further information from the New York police before answering the Soviet protests against the "detention" of Mrs. Kosenkina.

LOYALTY PROBE

In Washington, Senator Homer Ferguson, the Republican chairman of a Senate committee investigating the loyalty of Government servants, alleged today that several persons suspected of espionage had been allowed to stay in "sensitive Governmental positions, either through influence or neglect."

He made the charge in a letter to Mr. Tom Clark, the Attorney General, whom he asked to confer with him to try to agree on a method whereby the committee could obtain the records of Government servants. The House of Representatives' Un-American Activities Committee, probing Communist activities in the United States, will next autumn and winter investigate conditions on the college campus, according to a copy-righted Washington message to the New York Star today.—Reuters.

The Danube Conference



Mr. Charles Peake (left), British Ambassador to Belgrade, and other British delegates to the Danube conference at Belgrade, tell the conference "Britain will not be bullied and will not jump to crack of Vishinsky's whip." M. Andrei Vishinsky (left bottom), Soviet deputy foreign minister, listened to Sir Charles Peake's declaration. Later U.S. Ambassador Cavendish (bottom) declared that the Danube river will remain cut in two for traffic if Eastern Europe's Communist states deny Austria a seat on the Danube control board.

Soviet Danube Plan Approved

Belgrade, Aug. 17.—Eastern European Nations rubber stamped today approval of a Russian plan for control of the Danube River in the face of its certain rejection by the Western powers.

The ten-nation conference, meeting as a drafting committee, finished the task of approving a pact which as Russia put it—is designed to sign the "death warrant" for the 1921 Danubian convention.

The conference will meet in plenary session tomorrow and the Western powers—Britain, France and the United States—plan to register their refusal to sign the agreement and in all probability to take their case to the International Court of Justice at the Hague.

Since it began its session 10 days ago, the conference has taken close to 100 votes on terms for a new pact and not once has there been a break in the unity with which the Eastern European countries have pushed through the Soviet draft.

GUARANTEES REFUSED

With systematic regularity it voted down—usually by seven to three—all Western efforts to write in hard and fast guarantees that vessels of all nations will receive equal treatment on the Danube.

As drafted, the convention will post over the continent's most

THE KREMLIN TALKS

Climax Is Near

Moscow, Aug. 17.—M. Molotov was believed to have presented an extremely important communication regarding Germany at last night's Kremlin meeting with the three Western envoys, according to some informed Western quarters here tonight.

The nature of the communication was not disclosed and its presentation cannot yet be confirmed by quarters closest to the envoys. The fact that the envoys were even less communicative than ever following last night's meeting was held by some observers here to substantiate the report.

There was a fever of activity at all three Western Embassies today, especially the British, where typists, Russian experts, cipher clerks and radio men were at work on the long full report of the three and a half hour meeting.

DECISION SHORTLY

Mr. Frank Roberts, the British representative, and Mr. Geoffrey Harrison, the British Minister, were tonight "too busy to be seen." Mr. Harrison was busy dictating the report for his office while Mr. Roberts conferred with the Russian experts.

Many observers here believe that the talks were drawing to an end and that a decision could be expected shortly, but most people expected at least one more Kremlin meeting and no one would commit himself to an exact date when the talks would end.

Some circles predicted that a decision could be expected before the end of the week. An agreement would, it was believed, imply a decision to hold a Council of the Foreign Ministers to discuss Germany.

Some diplomatic quarters here held that the Western powers might be agreeable to postponing the creation of a Western-German regime as a quid pro quo for the Russians lifting the Berlin "blockade" before any meeting of the Foreign Ministers.—Reuters.

PASSENGER SHOTS PILOT

Oslo, Aug. 17.—The pilot of a Norwegian charter plane was attacked and shot by his passenger in mid-air today. The pilot, though wounded in the neck, safely landed the aircraft, a seaplane, on the sea near Horten, and also rescued his attacker from drowning.

The pilot lost consciousness after being shot, but recovered just in time to control the aircraft as it was diving towards the sea.

The cause of the attack was not yet known, and police were questioning the passenger tonight. The pilot was being treated in hospital at Horten, 30 miles south of the capital.—Reuters.

SEQUEL TO DUMP EXPLOSION

Shanghai, Aug. 18.—Following the ammunition dump explosion at Tazang yesterday, the toll of which now includes five soldiers killed and two critically wounded, Shanghai-Woosung Garrison forces were reported today to have arrested a 17-year-old youth on suspicion of plotting sabotage.

The youth was seized when he was found loitering near the cordoned-off area of the Tazang arms dump shortly before the blast occurred, according to reports today.

Military authorities stated that approximately 35 tons of ammunition exploded in the mishap which was the second of its kind since December, 1946.

The officer in charge of the dump was killed instantly as he was inspecting explosives when the blast occurred.

Ammunition in the dump included hand grenades, bombs, mortar and field gun shells and shrapnel left by the Japanese Army at the end of the war.—Reuters.

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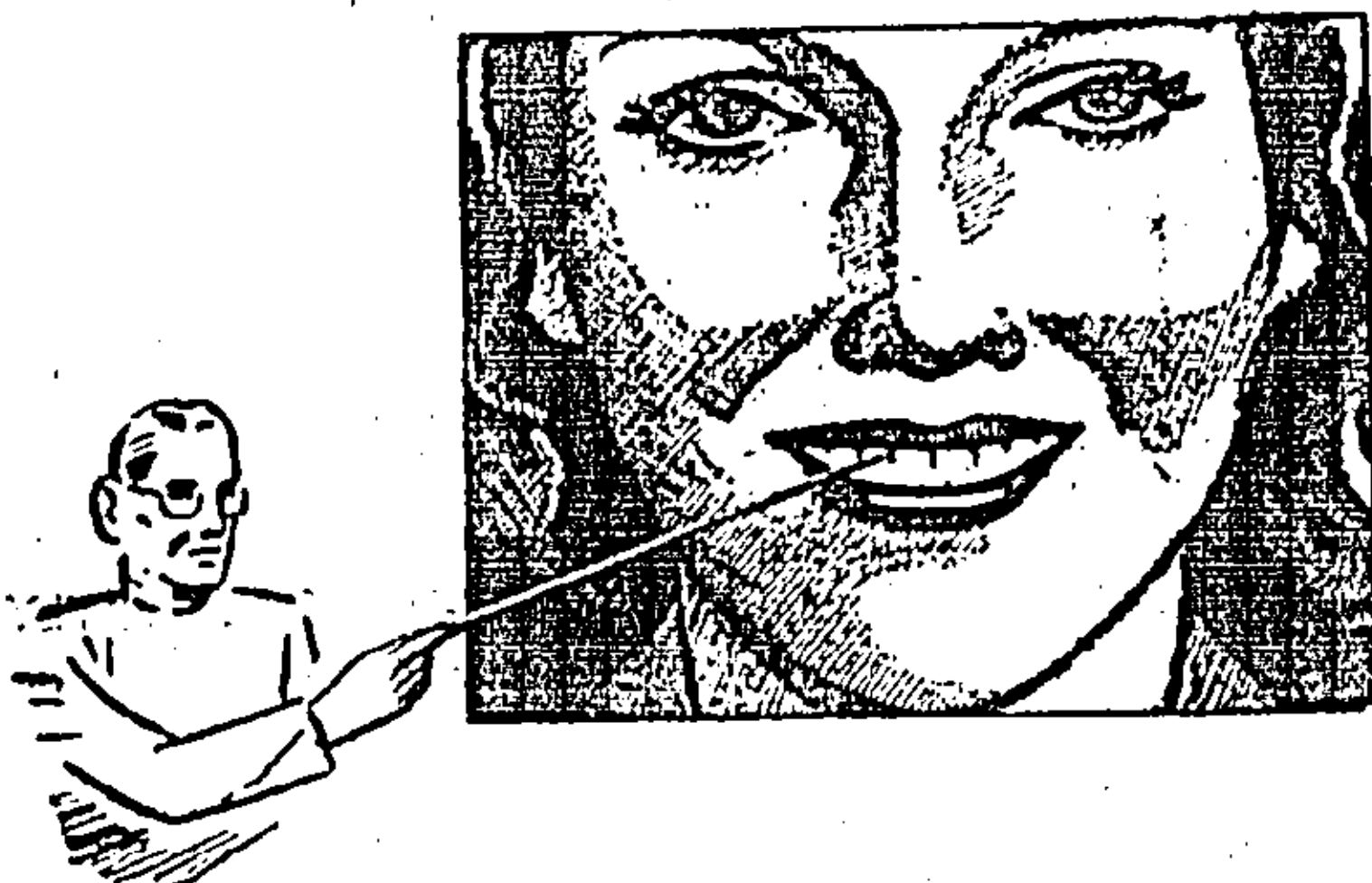
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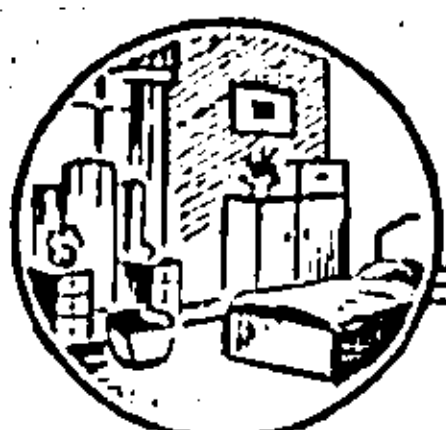
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WOMANSENSE

Dishes with eye appeal to lure your appetite

SUMMER meals are all delight for those of us who have an eye for colour and like to place on the table really beautiful food. For eye appeal, as well as the palate appeal, a salad such as chicken and vegetable made up of a layer of creamy-rich chicken mousse between two layers of tangy lime gelatin sparkling with crisp diced cucumber, celery, green pepper and brilliant bits of pimiento, is a concoction of sheer delight. It is the sort of thing that starts at a party meal, or makes a family meal something to be remembered and a definite aid to our somewhat sluggish summer appetite.

Chicken Salad

For 8 servings, dissolve package lime-flavoured gelatin in one c. boiling water. Add one c. cold water. Pour in a thin layer of the gelatin in a deep loaf pan or mould. Mix one c. each finely-diced celery, finely-diced cucumber, ½ c. finely-diced green pepper, and ½ c. finely-diced pimiento with 2 tbsps. lemon juice. When the layer of gelatin has set, spread half the vegetables over the cold place to set.

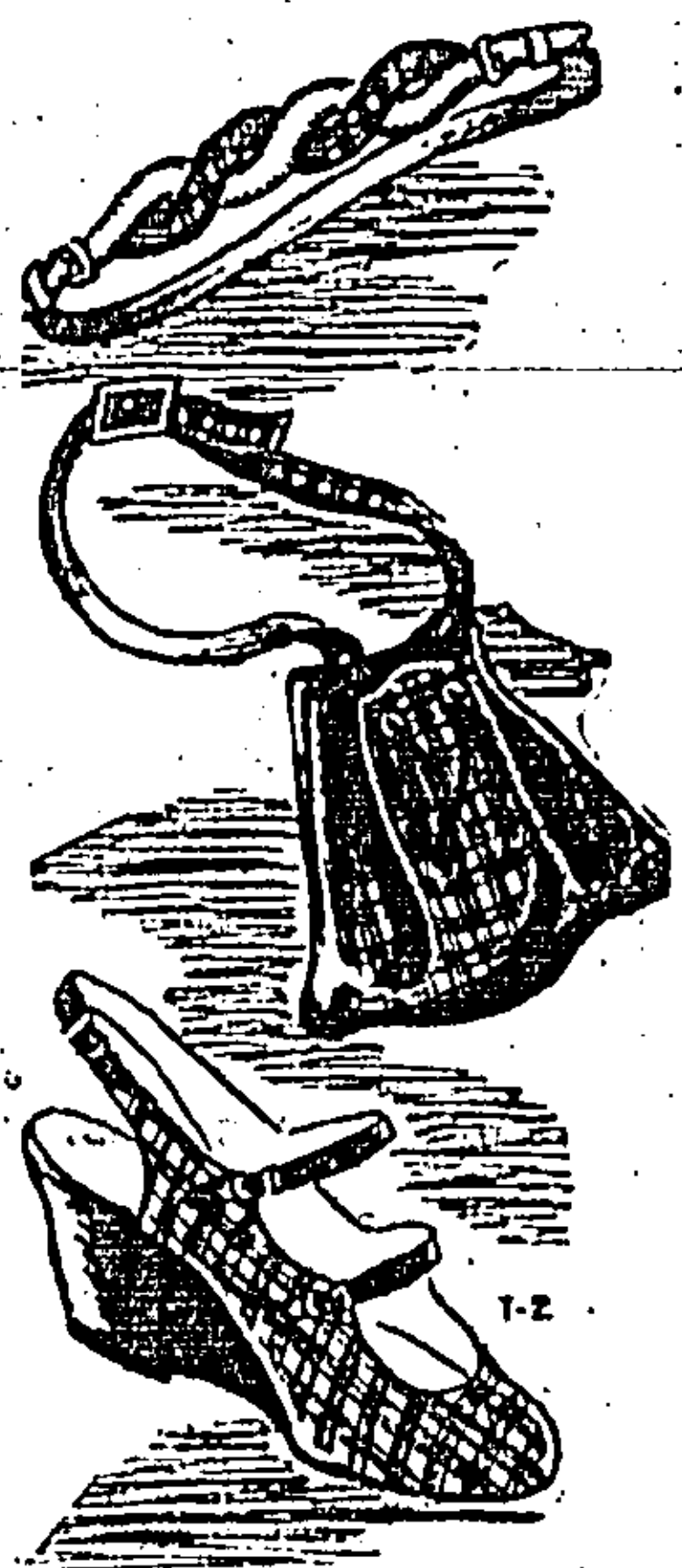
Next, beat 2 eggs. Add ¼ tsp. salt, ½ c. evaporated milk and ½ c. chicken broth. Cook over boiling water until mixture coats spoon, about 5 min. Add 1½ tbsps. plain gelatin softened in ¼ c. water. Stir until completely dissolved. Add 2 c. cooked diced chicken, and more salt, if necessary.

When this mixture is cold, whip ½ c. thoroughly chilled evaporated milk until stiff. Fold the stiffly whipped milk into the mixture, and spread over jellied vegetables. Set in a cold place to set. When set, cover with the remainder of the vegetables and lime gelatin. Put in a cold place until set. When ready to serve, unmould by dipping in and out of warm water quickly. Turn onto a cold platter. Garnish with chicken, for turkey or veal, flaked tuna or salmon can be used in the centre layer, and with pleasing results, too.

Cool Jellied Soup

This is just the spot for a recipe for a wonderful jellied soup, ideal for summer meals. Place ½ c. each finely-diced carrots, finely-diced onions, finely-diced celery, one c. cooked tomatoes, 2½ c. water and 4 chicken bouillon cubes in kettle.

Accessories In Gingham



By GRACE THORNCLIFFE

GINGHAM GETS into the fashion picture not only for those cool and comfortable summer frocks and house-dresses but for neat little accessories. Brown and white checked gingham interwoven with gilt kidskin adds up to a pretty little green and white checked gingham lined in green leather makes a handsome bag, an adjustable shoulder strap design. The little wedge shoe has a brown wedge heel and straps topped with brown and white checked gingham uppers.

Bring to a boil, and simmer, covered, ½ hour longer. Add ½ c. chopped dill pickles and tsp. Worcestershire sauce. Measure, and for each cup of soup, use 1 tsp. unflavoured gelatin. Soften gelatin in ¼ c. cold water for 5 min. Reheat soup to boiling point, add gelatin, stirring until gelatin is dissolved. Chill. When slightly thickened, stir to prevent vegetables from settling.

THE KITCHEN FRONT — by — ALICE DENHOFF

to bottom. Chill until softly set. Serve in cups. Yields 8-10 portions. Gone, perhaps, is the day of hunting tender dandelion shoots, the seeking out of young mustard to toss into the pot with the "side meat," in quest of the piquant, the turnip top, to supply the eagerly-awaited "moss o' greens."

Quick transportation, have combined to change the green habits of a nation. So let your table abound with greens to celebrate summer, to add crispness, vitamins, fun.

Boiled Greens

If you are serving boiled greens, serve with a tangy mustard sauce. Remove roots, coarse stems from

TWENTY and a man, find how to keep slim after FORTY

by CHAPMAN PINCHER

A DOCTOR has discovered that wearing high heels helps to bring on "middle-aged spread"—and 20 women, nurses and ballet dancers among them have helped him to prove it.

Dr. Colin Lever, Allen, is the man brave enough to risk such an unpopular discovery. He reports: Your stomach muscles do not get enough exercise if you wear high heels, so they gradually weaken and sag. And with them, madam, goes your figure. He proved it like this: While the 20 women performed simple exercises such as touching the toes, bending backwards, and lifting a 10 lb. weight—Dr. Allen recorded the activity of their muscles.

He used a special electrical device fixed to a mechanical pen to make a record of the muscular rhythm. In the first part of the tests the women wore flat shoes; in the second high heels. The records—published in British Journal of Physical Medicine—show that the stomach muscles gave a much more feeble response in the high heel tests.

"This observation suggests an explanation for the abdominal weakness commonly encountered in women who habitually wear high heels," Dr. Allen reports.

Which is a nice way of saying: If you want to keep your figure after 40 you have to wear shoes like this...

Coloured Star Sparkled

THE BBC gave a reception in London recently for Josephine Baker, coloured star of the Folies Bergere. She will appear in television.

Fashion note introduced by this star was clips, studded with brilliants, fitting the shape of her ears. Her dress: Blue satin with length with bolero decorated with sequins and beads. Her hat: A white satin pillbox with similar decoration. Her wardrobe: Twenty-one dresses each valued between £300 and £1,500. After her recent South American tour she replenished her wardrobe. Cost: £5,000.

RED RYDER

The Rush Is On

By Fred Harman



A "Dry Cleaning" Treatment



Finish your "dry cleaning" by applying massage cream with sterile cotton balls.

By HELEN FOLLETT

HERE is a special clean-up treatment for the complexion. Let us suppose that you have been in the sun all day, travelling over the golf links, swimming or playing tennis. You are enjoying a pleasant season of fatigue, the kind of weariness that comes from healthy exercise. You have a dinner date ahead of you. But your face is dusty, the skin looks oily because of your exertions, and you are doubtful if the contents of the make-up box will put your good looks all together again.

After a warm bath, give your face a dry cleaning treatment. Find an old soft wash cloth, moisten it, pour on a little eau de Cologne. Pass the cloth lightly over face and neck, being careful not to get it close to your eyes as the alcoholic content of the Cologne may irritate them. You will be surprised to find how this

treatment will clear the pores if any horrid little blackheads are present. At this point you get out the massage cream, spread it on evenly, force it into the flesh with light tapping movements, the purpose being to ally any dryness that may have been caused by the dry cleaning. You will find that sterile cotton balls are handy for applying and removing the cream.

A pleasant glow will appear on your cheeks, chin and carotides. After ten or fifteen minutes remove the cream with tissues. You are then ready to play with your synthetic aids.

Fluff on powder lightly. Rouge your skin is unusually pale. Touch the lips with a deep rose slick, and there you are! Fresh as a daisy. And won't your boy friend be proud of you?

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Something Important Was Lost

—No One Could Find the Rainbow's End—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned about names, heard a great many excited voices, coming from the direction of the Old Oak Tree on the other side of the garden wall. They ran over to see what was going on and were surprised to discover all the Pixies running round and round a tree as though they were looking for something.

The one who made the loudest noise was Pixie O'Scowl. He hopped up and down like an angry grasshopper, and kept shouting: "Come along McSpry! Look harder. And you there, O'Long, look under those leaves! O'Stitch! Mc-Sauce! Get a move on! We've got to find it, you understand? . . . Mc-Snooze, you've fallen fast asleep!"

O'Beani McGiggles! O'Stubbi McLittle!—None of you are looking! Do I have to do all the work? Just then, Knarf and Hanid ran up to Pixie O'Scowl. "What's the matter?" asked Knarf. "Did you lose something?" asked Hanid. "Did we lose something?" grumbled Pixie O'Scowl. "I should say we did!"

"What?" asked Hanid. "The end of the rainbow," said Pixie O'Scowl.

Shadows Astonished

Knarf and Hanid were astonished, as anyone else would have been. It isn't often that the end of the rainbow gets lost.

Pixie O'Scowl explained: "I had it carefully looked up in a trunk in the store room under the Oak Tree. But a chipmunk opened the trunk a few minutes ago and away it went! It must be somewhere near here. A robin just told me he saw it sliding into the grass."

Then Pixie O'Scowl looked around and started yelling to the

Broken Wing Robin Climbs The Ladder

South Bend, Ind.—Oscar the robin broke a wing and faced the problem of how to get up in his tree limb retreat without flying.

Bernard Kehoes found the wounded bird fluttering around his lawn. With the help of Kehoes, who fashioned a small ladder for the bird, Oscar learned to hop from one rung to the next.

The robin used the ladder to get up in the tree until his broken wing mended and let him fly again.



When it started to rain, the Pixies scuttled to take cover.

other Pixies again, telling them all to look harder. "We'll help you look too," said Hanid. "If we don't find the end of the rainbow, I don't know what we'll do," said Pixie O'Scowl. "Haven't rainbows got two ends?" said Knarf. "Why can't you use the other end?"

Pixie O'Scowl didn't seem to hear this. He went dashing off to look behind a raspberry bush at the other end of the field. All of a sudden it began to grow quite dark.

Middle Of Field

"Just our luck!" growled Pixie O'Scowl. "Here we are, out in the middle of a field and it's going to rain! We'll get soaking wet to the bargain."

Sure! enough, at that instant, there was a flash of lightning and a crash of thunder and all the Pixies dived under leaves and in the cracks of hollow trees to keep from getting wet. But the rain turned out to be lucky after all. For all at once, the sun came out and Knarf, who was peering out from behind the garden wall, shouted, at the top of his voice: "Pixie O'Scowl! Look! There's the rainbow!"

Yes, there it was, stretched across the sky and you could see the end of it just a little ways beyond the raspberry bush where Pixie O'Scowl had looked last. And away ran Pixie O'Scowl, as fast as he could with all the other Pixies following him (all except Pixie McSnooze, who had fallen fast asleep, with his head on an acorn), straight for the rainbow.

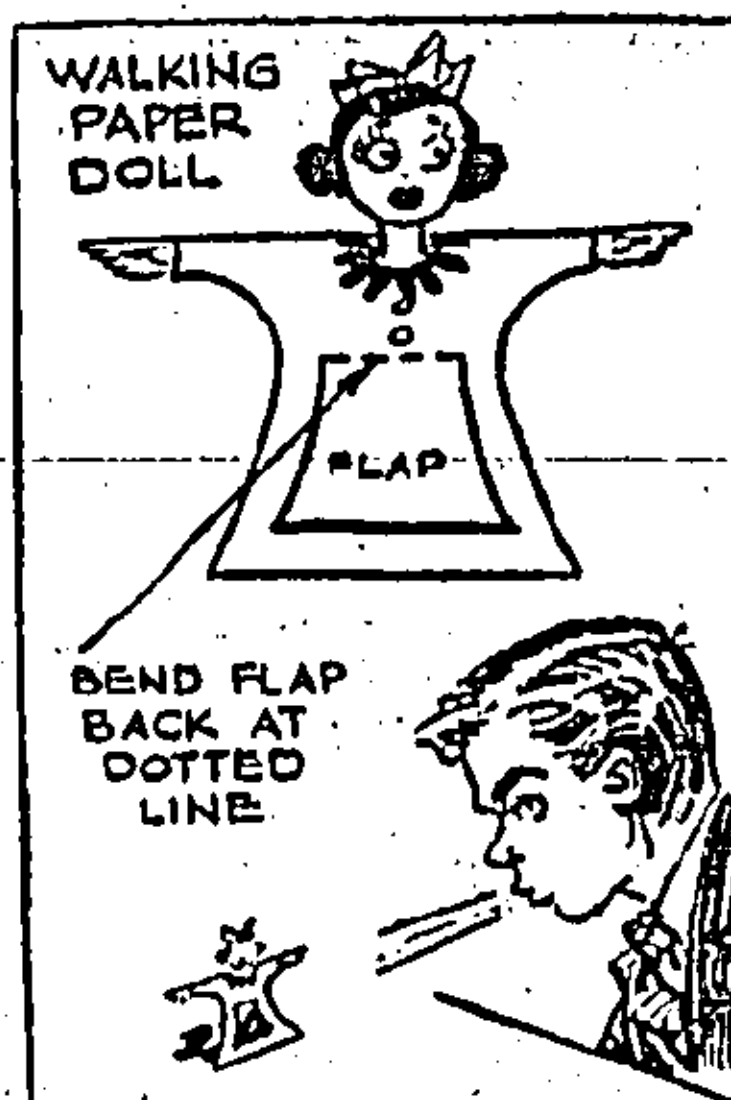
"I hope they get their end of the rainbow back," Hanid said to Knarf, as he watched the Pixies racing along.

"I wonder which end it is," said Knarf.

This Doll Can Walk!

THIS paper doll can really travel. It will walk forward or backward on any smooth table top.

First, draw the picture of the doll on a piece of good grade paper. Then cut out the doll with a pair of scissors and cut along the three dark lines of the flap inside the doll.



Draw your own design for the doll if you wish, but follow instructions carefully to make it walk.

To make the doll stand up, bend back the flap along the dotted line, so that the doll stands on its two wide legs.

Blow gently against the doll and you will see it hobble along away from you. Then hold one hand behind the doll and blow against your hand around the side of the doll. Look! The doll toddles along toward you.

If you are not satisfied with the way your doll walks, change the distance between the two legs and you will have a different gait.

Rupert & Ting-Ling—15



"The four pals watch breathlessly until Ting-Ling finishes his juggling. 'Oh, that was wonderful, please do it again!'" cries Algy. But the little Chinese boy only bows, more politely than ever, and walks quietly away, and Rupert has to follow him. 'Your trick is too much like work,' smiles Ting-Ling. 'No, no, like work, me likes plenty thinking, yes please.' Rupert stares. 'It's difficult to keep him amused, he thinks. 'I wonder what I'd better show him next.' ALL RIGHTS RESERVED.

WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



NOT THIS TRIP, SON—Seven-year-old Gerard Sullivan clutches his dog as he looks longingly at his pals boarding a bus for a two-week vacation at summer camp. Gerard's brother was among the 350 boys of the Madison Square Boys' Club of New York who set out on the trip, leaving Jerry with only his pup for company. Note the sympathetic face of the boy at left.



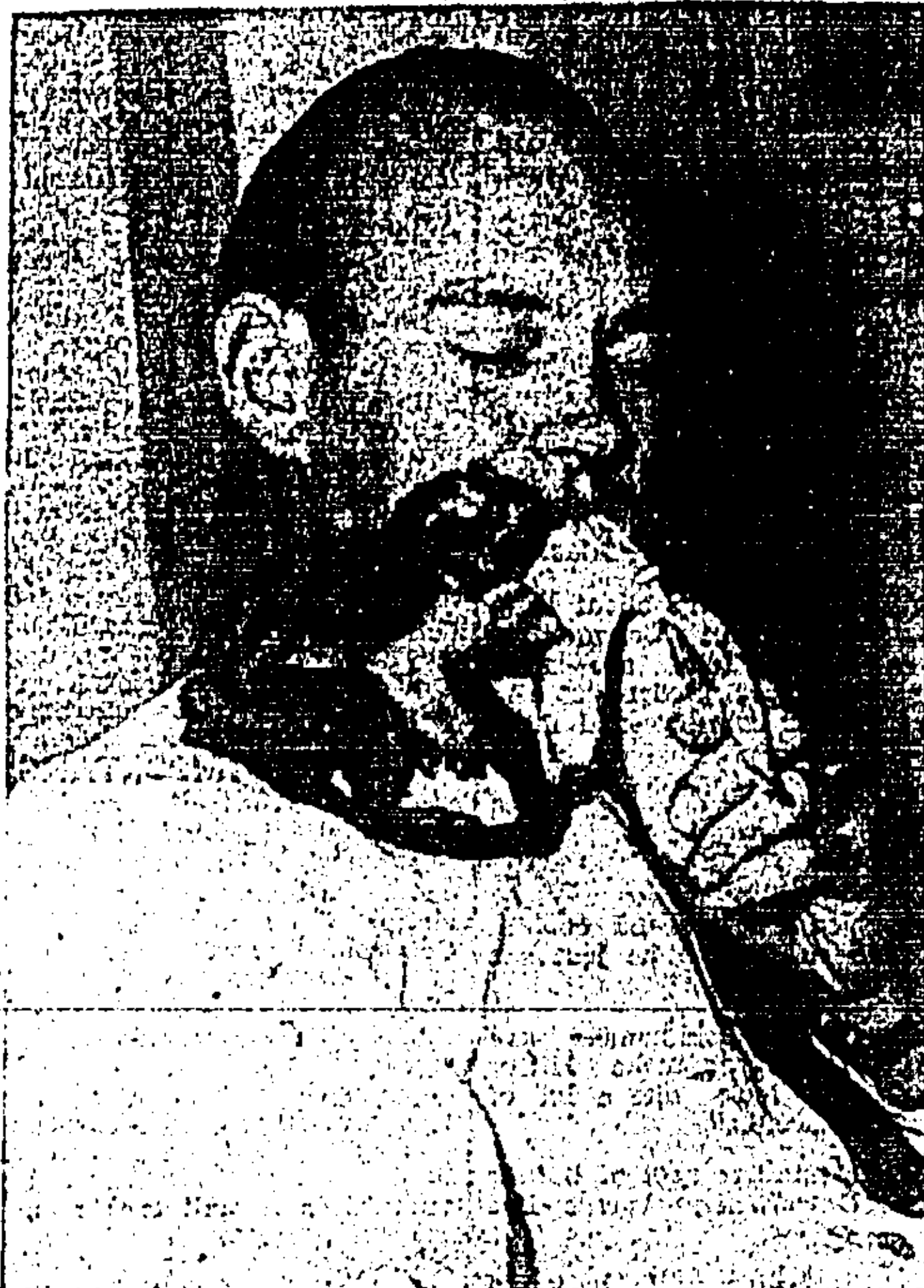
CINDERELLA GIRL—Lady Isabel Milles-Lade becomes England's "Cinderella Girl" following her wedding to Britain's wealthiest young man, Lord Derby. Photo shows the bride leaving Westminster Abbey on the arm of her wealthy young groom after their marriage before 1,500 guests, including the King and Queen.



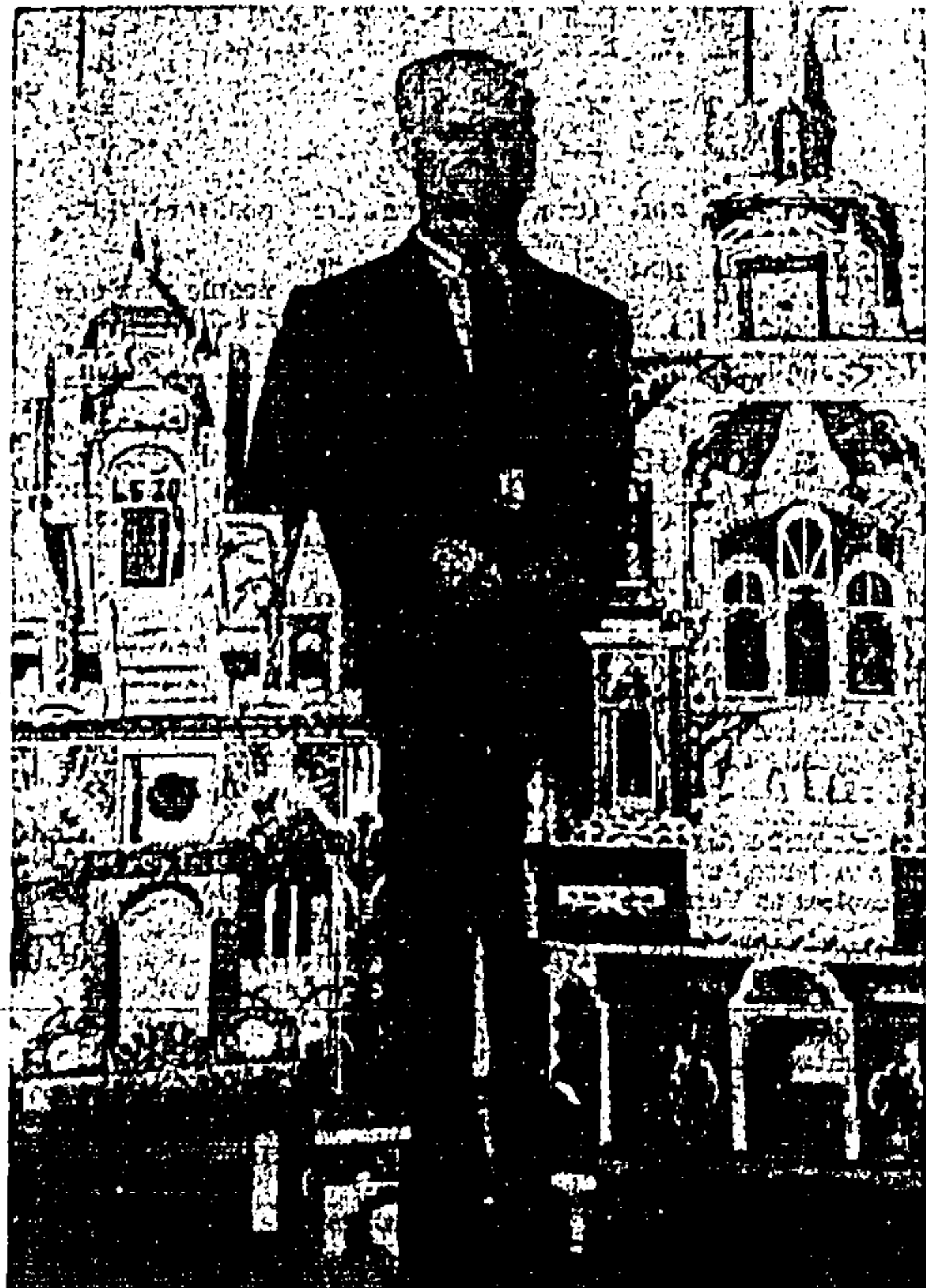
GYPSY—Rita Hayworth wears a gaily coloured gypsy outfit, with a white off-the-shoulder blouse embroidered in multi-coloured silk along the neckline and cap-sleeve. The double-tiered skirt is similarly embroidered along the double hem. The outfit is for her next picture.



WORLD'S LARGEST TROPHY—Costing almost US\$20,000, this trophy, largest in the world, is arranged for display by designer Frederick Stark. The silver-trophy, engraved with battle scenes and slogans, belongs to the U.S. 504th Parachute Regiment.



SMALL STOWAWAY—This tiny Marmoset monkey got a free ride for himself when he stowed away on a Miami-bound clipper when it left Panama. He won't tell how, but presumably he hid in the luggage compartment, and he apparently enjoyed the ride.



WHITTLIN' WONDER—Using a 10 cent knife, discarded crates and wood scraps, and a little glue, Marshall M. Smith, of Danapolis, North Carolina, has fashioned these two unique model cathedrals. The job took 17 months.

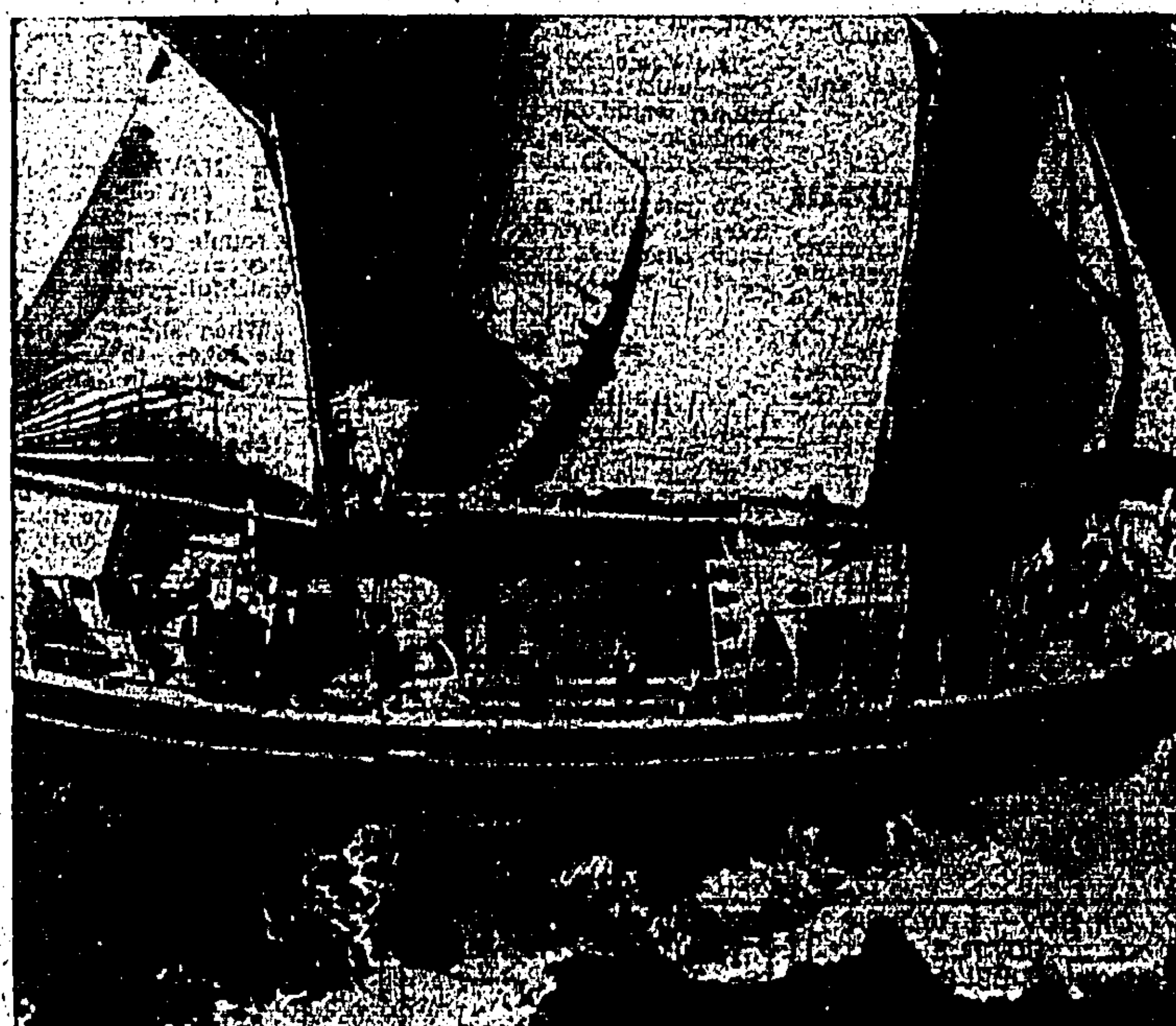


CEMETERY SITE—The wreckage of this plane lies amid the tombstones of Mission Burial Park, San Antonio, Texas, where it crashed. The pilot of this Fairchild PT-23, and the passenger, both of Galveston, escaped injury. It is believed the plane crashed when it ran out of gasoline.

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SEEKING HAVEN—The 64-foot ketch, Gundel, rides at anchor off Provincetown, Massachusetts, after a 43-day trip across the Atlantic with 20 Latvian refugees aboard. The vessel was ordered to Boston for examination by U.S. immigration inspectors.

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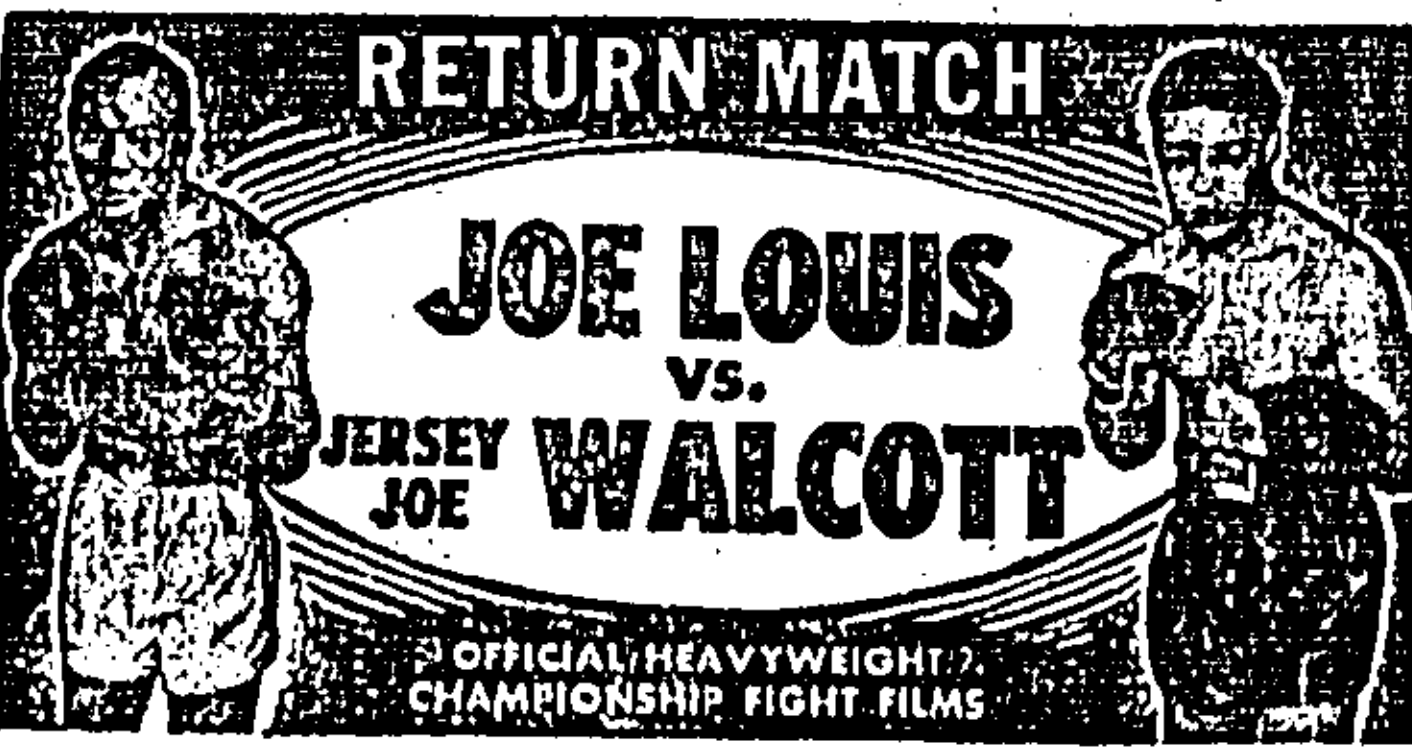
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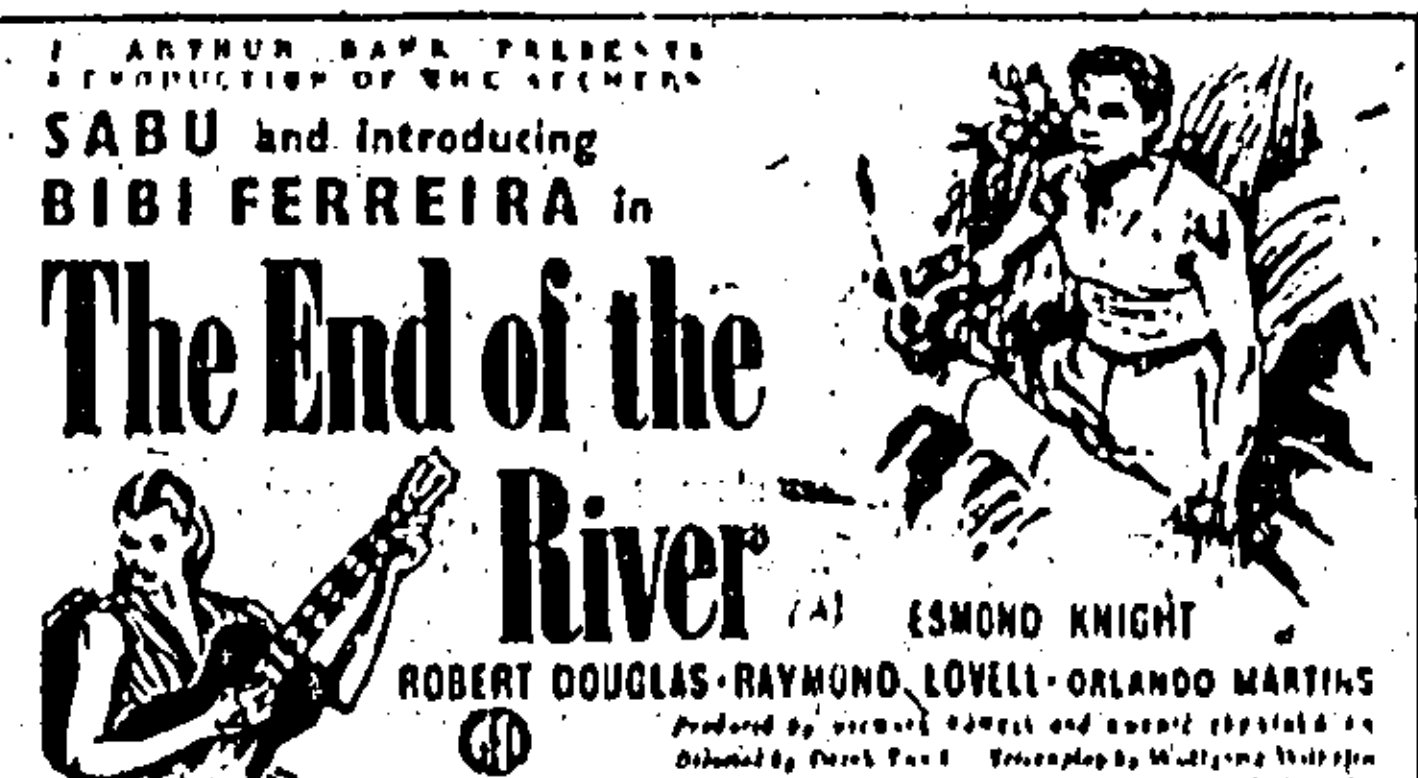
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THE SOS BOMB

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

IF THE ORDEAL OF THE 'THREE
MEN IN AN OPEN BOAT' HAD BEEN
REAL... this might have saved them

A Lieutenant John Polls and his two companions came ashore recently after a week's endurance test in an open boat, realists were discussing a deep-sea bomb which may end such real-life ordeals.

An aeroplane crashes at sea—perhaps 2,000 miles from the nearest land base. The survivors have no radio—yet they can get a message through to rescue services giving their precise position.

SOFAR—Sound Fixing And Ranging—is the device which makes this possible. It is based on a discovery made by 41-year-old

scientist Dr Maurice Ewing. He found that 4,000 feet down in the ocean there is a layer of water which acts as a natural telephone line.

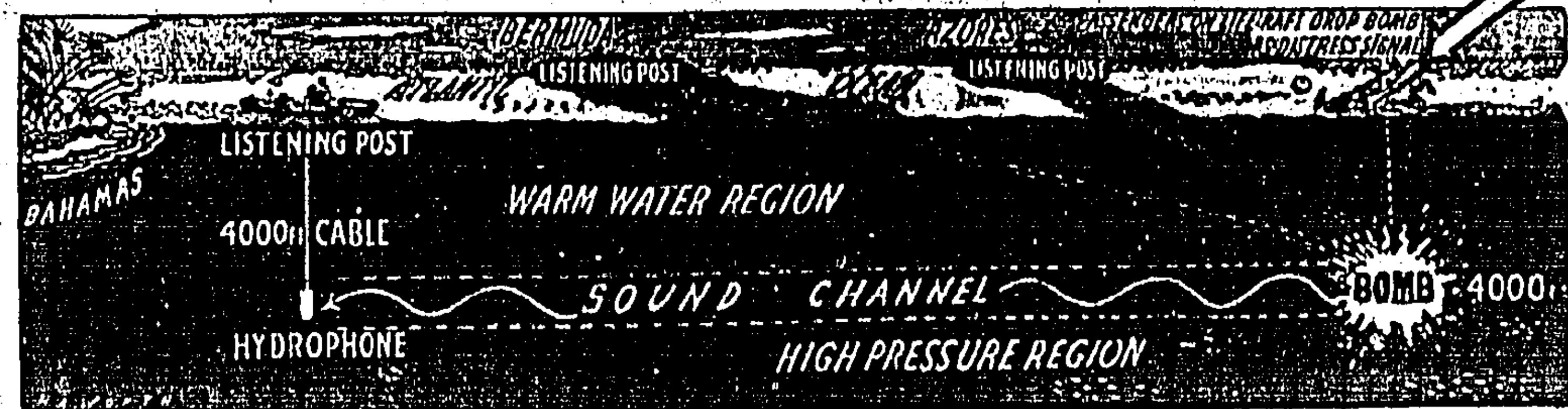
Sandwiched between warmer water above and high pressure water below, sound waves can travel through it for thousands of miles.

In American Navy tests (see sketch below) the explosion of a 4lb. bomb 1 1/2 miles off the African coast was heard at listening posts in the Bahamas, Bermuda, and the Azores. From the different times of arrival of the sound at the three posts it was possible to fix the position of the explosion within an accuracy of two miles.

Three listening posts to cover the Hawaii-California air routes are already in use, and all U.S. trans-oceanic aircraft will soon be fitted with small bombs set to explode 4,000 feet down. Lowered into the water

by air-crash survivors, these bombs give an immediate SOS.

THIS sketch reconstructs the actual test:



Every Wednesday in the Telegraph:

Sitting on the Fence

by NATHANIEL GUBBINS

"WELL," said the Sweep, "what are you a goin to do with your Bank Holiday?"

"No idea," I said.

"You might go up to Ampstead Heath for a blow and a bellyful of eels."

"I might," I said.

"Or you might go to Wembley and see them there little old foreigners throw in spears about and jumpin over urles, though it ain't much in my line."

"Nor mine."

"Personally, meself I'd sooner see a good dog fight."

"Me top."

"And you never know but what it might turn out to be a dog fight after all," said the Sweep. "Them there little old foreigners can be pretty touchy when they're playin games."

"They can an all."

"Specially as they're stuffed to the gullet with meat."

"That's right."

"To say nothink of eggs."

"Too true."

"Cor sufferin archbishops," said the Sweep, "them there little old Australians can give us a good idin in a five-day Test Match without extra sessions, but these ere little old foreigners want four square meals a day before they can jump over a perishin urdle. Cor sufferin wars, it makes you think, don't it?"

"It certainly do."

"Cor stone the crows, if they'd give me a boiled egg for me tea I'd walk to Wembley and jump over a perishin urdle meself."

"Same ere."

"Though you don't want to get jealous about it."

"I ain't jealous."

"The best thing you can do is to stop at once and forget about eggs," said the Sweep, "and ave a nice quiet pint in the evenin."

"Thank you," I said.

"The skin off your nose," said the Sweep.

"The skin off your nose."

The democrat would die under Communist conditions. The Communist would die under democratic conditions. Each finds the other's system fatal to his existence.

To put it in a phrase, a man infested with vermin has about as much chance of survival as a nation infested with Communists.

IS IT BECAUSE WE ARE PARASITES?

If this is the reason we could point a finger, if we had any fingers, to at least 90 percent. of all living creatures in the world and say, "You are all parasites."

Animals live on other animals, fish live on other fish, men live on both. Occasionally fish and animals live on men.

In more complicated communities you will find traders living on the needs of customers who, in their

turn, live on the needs of their customers.

Very few of these people produce the commodities they sell, to they are parasites on the grower and producers as well as their customers.

Most professional men live on the misfortunes and mistakes of others, the one exception being the creative artist who is also a parasite if he is not a strict vegetarian.

So why pick on us?

Hoping your wife and family are well,

I remain, Sir,

Yours faithfully,

A LOUSE.

Letter from a louse

DEAR SIR,

Now that Vermin Clubs are being formed all over the country, presumably as an ironic gesture of defiance following Mr Anconia Bevan's description of the Conservative Party, may I intrude on your valuable space to state the case of a numerous, though greatly despised, class of the community?

Why does a man describe another man he despises as a louse, or any group of men he despises as Vermin?

IS IT BECAUSE WE ARE CONSIDERED UNCLEAN?

Although we are associated with conditions which men consider unhealthy, it should be remembered that to us these conditions are the breath of life.

What to you is foul and unclean, to us is sweet and wholesome. Our "healthy" conditions are fatal to you. Your "healthy" conditions are fatal to us. It depends on which point of view you are obliged to take in order to survive.

From this you may draw a parallel with the two political systems struggling for survival today.

The democrat would die under Communist conditions. The Communist would die under democratic conditions. Each finds the other's system fatal to his existence.

Way of a penguin

"Having won a chance to make overtures to a hen, the cock penguin would pick up a stone and lay it in front of her. She might take to him kindly or peck him furiously."

If the gift suited her "cor perfect understanding would grow up between them."—From The Lives of Penguins, by G. Murray Leitch.

LIVES of penguins all remind us. We can smooth the tortured way.

To the hearts of little women.

With a new gift every day.

Some of us may give them flowers.

Dog may give a dog a bone.

But the penguin's way is surest.

With another kind of stone.

Party conversation

MARGARET'S father's bought a world map in case there's a whisky versus vodka war with little flag pins made of miniature whisky and vodka labels.

"One of the minor lunacies of this age is the Government asking you to save money they've pinched from you."

"My husband says it's about time we realised that all Communists living in democracies are fifth columnists, and are pledged to the betrayal of their country—and their friends, if necessary."

Margaret's father's already got some vodka labels half-way across the North Pole, with some eye whisky labels shivering in Alaska.

"When Brenda's husband cooked his grass in margarine he just sat down and cried."

"Of course, the Communists are so cunning that they make Hitler and his Nazis look like a lot of naughty Boy Scouts."

"If there's another spot of bother it will be Christianity versus The Rest."

Margaret's father will have a double for every whisky label on his world map, if the balloon goes up.

BERLIN is where you keep

HENS IN THE WARDROBE

I HAVE been talking with a girl car park attendant in the Grunewald area. She has a couple of hens. During the day they are with her—under her watchful eye—at the car park.

When she goes home at night she takes them with her. She lives alone in an abandoned air-raid shelter.

She dare not leave the hens outside in the rubble, for in the morning they would not be there. So she puts them to roost in her wardrobe.

"I get quite a lot of eggs," she says.

A 2lb. loaf of bread now costs 10 marks, or about 10s. Coffee is about 33s. lb.

The barter system is the most popular method of trade. I saw a woman debating anxiously with a man whether she should exchange a

rather faded black skirt against a pound of potatoes.

"I have such a hunger for potatoes," she said, looking yearningly at the sack under his arm.

Finally a friend with her persuaded her to curb her hunger and keep her skirt, and off they went.

The artists of Berlin are still painting, but they have to buy most of their materials on the black market.

They exchange anything they may possess to get paints—an old pair of trousers or shoes, a bottle of the head-splitting German gin.

The French Tricolour is flying over Germany's statue to commemorate the victory of 1870 over the French. The memorial is in the British sector in Charlottenburg.

The inscription recording the triumph of the Germans over the hated French has been bricked up.

When the Nazis had conquered Paris they flew the Swastika flag from the Eiffel Tower.

The sun was shining brightly when I visited the Blue and White Club—once the haunt of Berlin millionaires. Now it is used by members of the British colony.

I found them playing tennis and squash, swimming in the beautiful pool and taking tea on the terrace.

The talk was mainly about the Test. Yanks and Sky-masters and Sunderlands were roaring low overhead all the time, bringing supplies.

At Gatow airport later I saw a peasant blonde Englishwoman serving tea to tired, dusty air crews.

She was Mrs Fred Brown, of Burgess Hill, wife of an RAF pilot. "We are all volunteering to keep the camp open 24 hours a day for the boys," she said.

RICHARD McMILLAN

MOSLEMS FORM OUTLAW STATE IN WEST JAVA

By Chris Schoffer

TASIKMALAJA, West Java.—Netherlands forces for nearly six months have been quietly struggling to crush an outlaw Moslem state-within-a-state in West Java.

In the Goenoeng Sawal district, north of Tasikmalaja, and in the southeast corner of the Dutch-sponsored State of West Java (Negara Pasundan), a band of ardent Moslems founded their own pure-Islam state. It is called Negara Dar-ul-Islam. It has a President, nine Cabinet members, and an army of several thousands.

The Dar-ul-Islam movement has existed in all parts of Java for years. Strong influence of the khalifa (Muslim religious leaders) upon the population in the area of Tasikmalaja and nearby Tjimas gave it impetus last February.

At that time 7,000 Indonesian Republican troops who had been in a "pocket" behind the Dutch lines were evacuated under the terms of the United Nations-sponsored truce. The Republican force, by its presence, had discouraged any attempt to set up a government rivaling the Republic. But the Dar-ul-Islam leaders were bolder when confronted by scattered Dutch forces. They went ahead and created their outlaw "state."

This "state" negated, to use the Indonesian words, not mentioned in official releases concerning the trouble and disorders in this section of West Java. But the Army has been active in trying to suppress it. The Dar-ul-Islam President is a former school teacher named Moechar. The Minister of War and Commander of the Army, Pa

Oni, directs the operations of his guerrillas in the mountains around Tasikmalaja and Tjimas.

SMALL BANDS

INTENSIVE Dutch military operations against the Dar-ul-Islam forces in May of this year were a failure from a military standpoint because most of the Moslem fighters escaped with their weapons. Now they are scattered in small bands over a greater territory than that in which they originally operated.

Their movement from the start has had a strong appeal to the elements who prefer fighting and banditry to peaceful and honest labour. Their looting and terrorising of the populace has made many of the khalifa change their minds about Dar-ul-Islam and complain that Moslem ideals are being misused. But this disaffection apparently has not seriously crippled the "state."

A more serious blow was the surrender to the West Java authorities of one of the Dar-ul-Islam leaders. He is Kijahi. Abdul Hamid, who had tried to proclaim an Islam state in this territory in 1946, but was prevented by the Republican Army.

Since his surrender, Abdul Hamid, accompanied by a Dutch officer, travels through the countryside with a public address system making speeches exhorting the people to co-operate with the Dutch and resist the Dar-ul-Islam bands.

But it seems that it will take more than Abdul Hamid's oratory to persuade the peasants that it is safe to refuse food and shelter to the mountain Moslem guerrillas. Few natives care to risk working with the legal civil administration under threat of kidnapping and murder by the Dar-ul-Islam bands.

OTHER IMPORTANCE

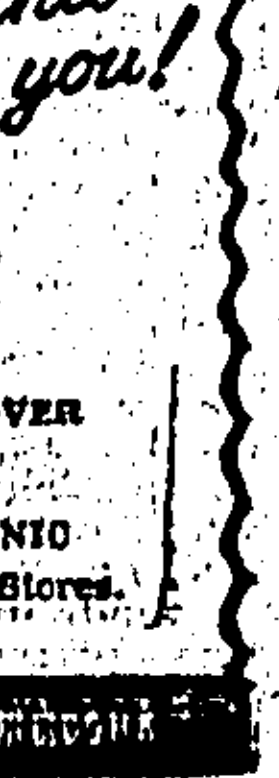
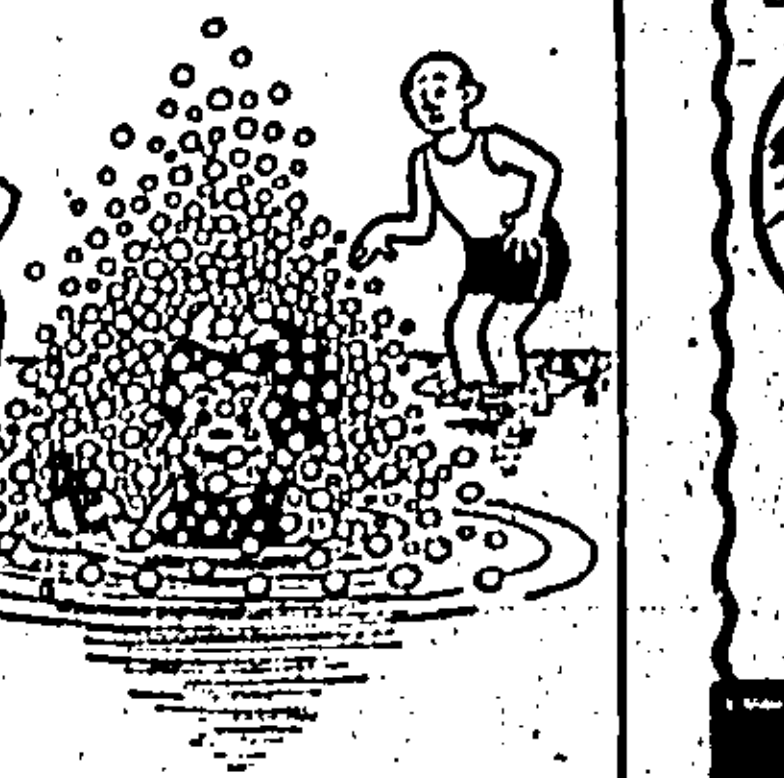
APART from its religious and social motives, Dar-ul-Islam has another importance in West Java. Dutch Army Intelligence claims that both Republican and Communist attempts are being made to get the "state" and its followers under their control.

The little government, however, seems to be keeping a stiff-necked independence of all other elements. It is anti-Dutch, anti-Pasundan and willing to co-operate with the Republic only if the Republic guarantees it will create a purely Moslem state modelled on Islamic traditions.

Meanwhile, Dar-ul-Islam appears intent only on causing as much trouble as possible. It seems to be succeeding.—Associated Press.

NANCY A Preview

By Ernie Bushmiller



HEATED COURT ARGUMENT OVER BAIL FOR PWD EMPLOYEE

Magistrate Decides In Favour Of Crown

A heated argument over the question of bail for Kwok Kong, the second accused in the PWD larceny case, at Kowloon this morning resulted in a decision in favour of the Crown who opposed bail and applied for a three-day remand in Police Custody.

Mr A. Hooton, Crown Counsel, opposed the application for bail made by Mr J. M. d'Almada Remedios on behalf of Kwok. Mr Remedios declared it was discrimination to grant bail to the Europeans similarly charged and to refuse it to Kwok, but Mr Hooton contended it was not discrimination but a case of applying local conditions to the persons charged.

Mr Hooton preferred a further charge of larceny by public servant against Kwok. This charge alleged that Kwok on or about December 1 stole a quantity of electrical materials belonging to the Hongkong Government.

Strongly advocating the refusal of bail, Mr Hooton said Kwok was charged jointly with others, including Austin Spary, on three charges, each of which carried 16 years' imprisonment if proved. He was also charged with another group, including Arthur May, and was on a further charge by himself. Each of these charges carried the same maximum penalty.

Mr Hooton continued: Investigations are proceeding, involving a tremendous amount of work. The Police in charge are working almost all day and night in this matter and there is no doubt that there will be charges preferred, in particular, against this man. I have now already one further charge against him of a similar nature. The charges are coming to light as investigations proceed and he shall be able to furnish more particulars when the boards of survey tender their findings. It may well be that this latest charge won't be the last one of that nature.

DEFENDANT'S RIGHT

Repeating the application made for bail two days ago, Mr Remedios reiterated that the Europeans charged with Kwok on similar and equally serious charges were allowed bail. The main ground for opposing bail put forward by Mr Remedios was that, although Europeans had been known to disappear, the facilities for their leaving the Colony were far less than for the Chinese that was no ground for refusing bail which was a matter of right to which the defendant was entitled.

"I will say that the British law does not permit any discrimination between Europeans and Chinese," said Mr Remedios.

"It is quite clear that for bail to be granted to Europeans and refused to Kwok is in direct conflict with the spirit of our law. If facilities for Chinese to get out of the Colony are greater, then the Magistrate can make the bail higher than that of Europeans to ensure his attendance. If the man is kept in police custody the facilities for his defence is practically denied while the European is permitted bail, the mere fact that Kwok is denied it for the only reason that it is easier for him to leave the Colony (and that is only an assumption of the Crown) is discrimination which is contrary to the spirit of our law."

"Kwok is entitled to bail as much as Europeans are and oppose it on any ground is iniquitous to the highest degree," concluded Mr Remedios.

CROWN'S REPLY

Still opposing bail, Mr Hooton submitted that it was just a question of applying the general principles of bail to the prevailing conditions as they apply to Kwok. He added, "We contend that it is very, very much afraid that if Kwok leaves this Court at any time on whatever amount of bail, he will never appear to stand his trial. The man is Chinese and the Chinese frontier, but thirty miles away. There are no restrictions on his migration into China. All he has to do is to walk over the frontier and we will never see him again. He is facing five charges each of which entails 14 years' imprisonment upon conviction. This makes it well worth his while to get away."

Referring to the statement made by Insp. Johnston previously that Europeans had been known to escape, Crown Counsel said that he understood there was no instance known in the Colony of a European on bail getting away but there were many instances of Chinese doing so. It would be quite pointless for a European to hide in China. There were, however, two instances of Europeans leaving Hongkong—one of them was a man wanted by the Police but not arrested on the other case happened a few months ago when a European got away before he was arrested.

Giving reasons for refusing bail as regards Kwok's case, Mr Hooton said that the Magistrate could refuse bail merely because the offence was serious. As far as the Police could remember it was not known for a Chinese workman charged with larceny to be granted bail. The recent larceny of petrol case was not of the same magnitude. The present case involved something like \$9,000 worth of property and possibly more.

Another ground for refusing bail was that on the evidence to date, if the Crown were to open the case now, there would be still a very strong prima facie case against Kwok.

Mr Hooton said that a number of the prosecution witnesses were bound to be PWD workmen whose immediate master had been Kwok, a man who had extreme power over them. "I cannot go so far as to say that I have evidence that he will interfere with them but the witnesses are persons very susceptible to interference and of all the people who could interfere in this case to the courts it will be the man who has been their foreman for some time."

Referring to the appeal against the Magistrate's refusal to grant bail to Man Kam-fat in the Allen Case, Mr Hooton said that Mr Justice Goff had turned down the application saying that the Magistrate had a duty to the Public as well as the accused. "I say if this man is let out on bail it may well be that the whole of some extremely hard work will go by the board as well as what appears on the face of it to be a very serious matter involving a lot of money and materials. If we cannot get this case to the courts it will be an encouragement for others attempting a similar offence. There is a strong prima facie case and we want Kwok tried. We are afraid that if he is let out he will be here to stand trial or the witnesses who are susceptible persons, and who have been working under him may not tell the truth when they come to court."

"I ask in fairness to the administration of justice that this man be kept in custody. The investigations are just on the fringe of the matter at present and there is an enormous amount to do still. It is alleged that Kwok is the actual perpetrator of the theft although we counselled him or took part."

IMPUTATION RESENTED

Mr Remedios said he resented the imputation that Kwok was likely to interfere with the witnesses. The Ordinance which dealt with that evil was sufficient protection. The case of Man Kam-fat was different in that Mr Shafarin not only intimidated the Magistrate, but actually proved that Man Kam-fat was a powerful man in the market, a member of a triad society who had intimidated witnesses intended for the prosecution. It was proved that these witnesses would rather suffer banishment than give evidence. In the present case it was only what the Crown felt and not that it actually happened. It was only a presumption and there was no evidence to prove Kwok intended to escape from the Colony.

"I do say strongly if bail is refused in this case, I, and J dare venture to say the public, will come to the conclusion there is discrimination between Europeans and Chinese," declared Mr Remedios.

In refusing bail, Mr Wicks said: "I must first make it clear that I had borne in mind particularly the element of discrimination between Chinese and Europeans in this case, and for that reason I remanded the second accused in police custody for two days only."

In considering whether bail should or should not be granted, I have considered the charges against the accused in relation to 'the Judge's Rules' and the decision in the Man Kam-fat appeal.

In the case of an appeal to the Judge there are affidavits, a facility which is not available to me—I can only rely, and I am bound to so rely, on the general submissions of the prosecution and of the defence. In this case, Mr Hooton assures me that if the second accused is bailed out in any amount he will never appear to stand his trial; there are no restrictions to his walking over the border into China; that should he fail to surrender to his bail a very expensive investigation of a public nature will be lost, also a large amount of public property; that if he goes on bail there is a grave risk that witnesses will be suborned and finally that the second accused took a part in the charges different to that taken by the first accused—he, the second accused, was the leader, controlled the workmen and secured the materials.

All that Mr Remedios can offer in reply, and I do not think he could do more for his client, is to deny the allegations made by the prosecution. In the circumstances there is no alternative for me but to refuse bail in the case of the second accused and to remand him in police custody for three days.



Yvonne Grimm, Pleasanton, Calif., Fiesta Queen at the Fifth Anniversary celebration of the San Francisco Farmer's Market, christens Carl Schladewitz with a well-ripened tomato. Schladewitz drove the 45,000th truck into the market and was honoured with a garlic wreath and the tomato bath.—AP Picture.

Special Powers For Paul Reynaud

Paris, Aug. 17.—The French National Assembly approved tonight the second reading of a bill giving the Finance Minister, M. Reynaud, special powers to carry out economic reform, thus making him the most powerful man in France.

NINE YEARS FOR ARMED ROBBER

Pleading guilty before Mr Justice Gould (Acting Puisne Judge) at the Criminal Sessions this morning to a charge of armed robbery, Yuen Kwok, 26, unemployed, was sentenced to nine years' hard labour and 12 strokes of the cane.

Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) said that the robbery occurred at No. 224 Temple Street, first floor, about 6 p.m. on June 17. Three men, two armed with revolvers entered the flat, held up the inmates, and forced them to give up jewellery and money totalling about \$1,500. Accused was one of the two armed men. After making their haul, the robbers left, but not before uttering threats to the inmates that they would suffer dire consequences if they should report to the Police.

About a month later, one of the inmates recognised the accused on board a Yau-mat ferry, and immediately had him arrested. In the man's possession were found some pawn tickets relating to some of the proceeds of the robbery. When he was subsequently charged, Yuen said he had committed the crime owing to poverty and that his share amounted to \$350. He also asked to be dealt with leniently.

Mr Blair-Kerr added that there was nothing known against the accused but he had only been in the Colony for two months.

Death Sentences To Stand

The Appeal Court this morning refused the appeal made by Leung Wing and Leung Ngau, unemployed, against their sentences of death pronounced on them by Mr Justice Williams on May 7 for the murder of Ip Wo-nin, a taxi-driver, in Victoria Road, Kennedy Town, on the night of February 10, 1948.

The appeal was heard last month by Mr Justice Gould and Mr Justice Reynolds. The decision was read this morning by Mr Justice Gould.

Mr Brook A. Bernacchi, instructed by Mr J. C. Stewart, was for appellants, and Mr A. Lonsdale, Acting Solicitor-General, for the Crown.

Sentences of four years' hard labour were passed on each of three returned banished who appeared before Mr Justice Gould at the Criminal Sessions this morning. All three, Tsang Chi, alias Chau Chuen, Kwok Chun-wing, alias Kwok Hing, and Ho Chiu, alias Law Cheong, had several previous convictions against them, and had previously been banished from the Colony but had returned.

Kwok Chun-wing is at present serving sentence of 12 months' hard labour for another offence, and his new term will commence on completion of that sentence. Mr W. A. Blair-Kerr (Assistant Crown Solicitor) prosecuted.

Situation In Burma Is Serious

London, Aug. 17.—The Burmese Government will not be able to stamp the rising surge of Communism in Burma without outside help, an authoritative source told the United Press today.

The source, which is in close touch with Premier Thakin Nu's government, said the situation in Burma was much more serious than generally realised, and much stronger action by the government would be required to combat the Communist-inspired rebels who now include some of the best military leaders in Burma.

"Trained Indian Communists are leading the rebels in Burma, and political inspiration comes from the Indian Communist Party," the Burmese source said.

He added it was believed possible that the Burmese Ambassador to Britain, Sir Maung Gyee, might be sent to New Delhi soon to solicit Indian aid for mutual benefit of the Burmese Government and the Indian national in Burma who are threatened by the rebellion because they are locked upon as exploiters in Burma.

Britain has declined any form of military assistance to Burma which was believed to have been sought by the former Foreign Minister Mr U Thant during his recent brief visit to London.—United Press.

GOVT TROOPS ADVANCE

Rangoon, Aug. 17.—Government forces today occupied Takyi and Kyaukseung and advanced along the highway from Rangoon to Prome after skirmishing with insurgent forces.

At the same time, insurgents captured the Rangoon Superintendent of Police in a bold attack on a group of Government motorboats at Syriam, opposite Rangoon.

Several motorboats were reported lost in the Syriam engagement and two sailors wounded before the attackers were silenced.

Government forces cleared 50 miles of the Rangoon-Prome road before meeting insurgent forces outside Takyi.

The rebels were reported to have withdrawn after losing two jeeps and two trucks.

Meanwhile, Colonel San Po Thin, Special Commissioner in the Basen area, said in a dispatch to Rangoon that the insurgents were falling back under assault by mixed Karen-Burmese forces. He said racial feeling was being stirred up in the Basen area by enemy propaganda, but most of those who earlier had deserted from the Government forces in Karenmin had surrendered.—United Press.

MAY NOT LOSE HIS THRONE

Bombay, Aug. 17.—The Maharaja of Baroda may not lose his throne in spite of his State Legislature's demand that he should abdicate today. An authoritative source said today that the Maharaja will probably keep his throne if he satisfies the India States Ministry with his explanations regarding his alleged US\$10,000,000 embezzlement of Treasury funds.

The source said that whether the Maharaja retains his throne or no is dependent upon the Constitution of the government and the change in the Maharaja's personal conduct.

Doctor Jivraj Mehta, Baroda's Premier and Mr K. M. Munshi, India's Agent General in Hyderabad, today saw the Maharaja. Dr Mehta, said the Associated Press that his visit was purely formal. He and the Maharaja are flying to New Delhi on Wednesday separately.—Associated Press.

SKYCRAPER FOR WHAMPOA

Canton, Aug. 17.—A 30-storey skyscraper is to be built at Whampoa, the port of Canton, it is reported here.

This "New York giant" is to be used as an hotel and is expected to provide every modern convenience for travellers who come to Kwantung.

It is understood that the construction of the skyscraper will proceed alongside the engineering work that is expected to make Whampoa a leading port in this part of the world.

It is believed here that in his personal Kwangtung affairs report to President Chiang Kai-shek, Governor T. V. Soong asked for substantial funds to make the Whampoa reconstruction project "a real thing".—Reuter.

Air Crash Victims' Bodies Recovered

Frankfurt, Aug. 17.—The bodies of all persons killed on board a US Army C-47 plane that crashed last winter in the Italian Alps have been recovered, it was reported tonight.

US Air Force officers in charge of rescue operations on top of 9,000 feet Mount Canone reported to the Army newspaper Stars and Stripes that 20 bodies had been found in the snow-covered mountains.

Officers said that the plane's manifest showed only 20 persons on board—not 22 as previously reported.

Twelve of the bodies have been reasonably identified.—Associated Press.

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FIFTH TEST MATCH

Australia's Winning Ways Drenched Once Again By A Thunderstorm

Kennington Oval, London, Aug. 17.—When bad light and a thunderstorm mercifully ended England's troubles soon after 4.00 o'clock on the third day of the fifth and final Test match at the Oval, Australia were within an ace of recording their fourth victory in this series of Tests.

With seven second innings' wickets down for 178 runs, England needed 159 to avoid an innings defeat. Once again England's batsmen shaped badly against the Australian speed attack. This time under conditions entirely favourable for run getting.

As in the first innings, Hutton alone mastered the bowling and his gallant display held up the Australians for four and a quarter hours. He scored 84 faultless runs out of 153 and the crowd thoroughly appreciated his gallant fight.

A not too happy Denis Compton gave him the best support during the third wicket partnership, which added 61 runs in nearly two hours before Compton fell to a fine gully catch when 39. After Compton left, four more wickets fell for 53 runs.

27 WICKETS

Lindwall again caused most concern to England's batsmen, taking three wickets in the second innings, bringing his wickets in the series of Tests to 27. This equals the best number by any other Australian fast

and flew off the edge of his bat to Lindwall in the gully. The third wicket added 61. Possibly, Compton fell unsettled by a Lindwall bumper in the previous over.

A no-ball from Loxton was punched past cover for four by Hutton, which took him to 52 out of 133; the result of three hours 40 minutes' batting, but for the part it was now a question of determined bowling being met by dogged defence, in which Crapp joined Hutton.

Crapp concentrated on keeping his wicket intact and waiting for the runs to come.

The game lapsed into almost complete quiescence and only 21 runs came in the first 45 minutes after lunch. In an effort to unsettle Hutton, Bradman tried repeated bowling changes, but the first excitement for a long time came when Miller began a series of bumpers at Crapp, one of which struck him a sharp blow on the head. "Take him off!" cried the crowd, and Miller finished his over with half-pace deliveries.

An hour after lunch, England suffered another disastrous blow. Miller bowled one of his fastest balls to Hutton, who was unsettled by the pace and edged a catch to the wicket-keeper, making four wickets down for 153.

CHANCELESS INNINGS

Hutton had batted four hours and a quarter and did not give a chance in a fine innings, in which he seldom looked troubled. He hit few boundaries.

The speed of Miller worried Crapp, and in the next over his balls went flying when he missed another lightning delivery, and half the side were then out for 164.

Watkins survived an appeal for leg before the first ball, but he broke his "duck" in his first Test by turning a Ring to leg for a single. However, he lasted only five minutes, for a well-judged catch by Hassett, fielding at long leg, gave Ring his first wicket in a Test match.

When Evans joined his captain, Norman Yardley, with six wickets down for 107, a big black cloud gathered near the ground and an appeal for light appeared imminent. This did not come until Evans had been bowled by Lindwall at 178.

Yardley spoke to Baldwin (umpire), who consulted Davies and immediately the players went off. Heavy rain began to fall and the interruption seemed likely for a long duration. The ends of the wicket were covered.

Thousands of spectators unable to make for shelter were soon wet through to the skin, including hundreds of women and girls in summer frocks when a thunderstorm broke over the ground. The rain stopped after 15 minutes, but resumed after a short period.

When it was announced shortly before 4.00 o'clock that there would be no more play today, there were only a few hundred people remaining on the ground. In three and three-quarter hours' play today England lost six wickets for 124 runs.

THE SCOREBOARD

The scoreboard at the close of play on the third day read:				
ENGLAND: First Innings	52			
AUSTRALIA: First Innings	389			
ENGLAND: Second Innings				
Hutton, c Tallon, b Miller	84			
Dewes, b Lindwall	10			
Edrich, b Lindwall	28			
Compton, c Lindwall, b Johnston	39			
Crapp, b Miller	2			
Yardley, not out	2			
Watkins, c Hassett, b Ring	2			
Evans, b Lindwall	8			
Extras	10			
	178			

Bowling to date:

	O	M	R	W
Lindwall	22.5	5	43	3
Miller	15	6	22	2
Loxton	10	2	18	0
Johnston	23	11	37	1
Ring	28	14	44	1
Byes 9, Leg-byes 4, No balls 3.				

Reuter.

Hutton shaped better against Johnston, who bowled in his best form, varying pace and length well and attacking the stumps all the time.

Suddenly Compton aroused the 20,000 crowd with nine runs off three successive balls. For an hour and a quarter Johnston maintained his excellent bowling until at 99 he gave way to Lindwall. Before calling on Lindwall to revert to his original end, Bradman frequently tested direction and strength of the wind with his handkerchief, and with the wind behind him Lindwall began to work up to full pace, refusing to claim the new ball when it was available at the start of his third over.

2,000 FOR SEASON

When 37, Hutton reached his 2,000 runs for the season, the second batsman to do so, Arthur Fagg, of Kent, is the other.

Lindwall took the new ball for the first delivery after lunch and again Bradman preferred Johnston to Miller as his partner. The decision was justified when in Johnston's second over he dismissed Compton, who had seemed to be finding his best form.

Compton tried to drive a well pitched up ball, which swung late

COLLAPSED DANE PULLED FROM POOL



Greta Anderson of Denmark, the Women's Olympic 100-metre free style champion, is pulled from the Olympic Pool at Wembley, by Elemer Szathmari (left), Hungarian Olympic swimmer, and Nancy Merkl Lees of Portland, Ore., and Asheville, N.C.

The Danish girl collapsed in the water while competing in a heat in the women's 400-metre free style competition. She revived quickly.—AP Wirephoto.

BASEBALL'S GREATEST HERO LIES IN STATE

FILE-PAST OF MOURNERS TODAY IN "HOUSE THAT RUTH BUILT"

New York, Aug. 17.—Babe Ruth goes home today to the Yankee Stadium. There thousands of his fans will get a chance to walk past the open casket of the famous homerun hitter, who died on Monday of cancer, and pay their last silent farewell.

Those in charge of his funeral arrangements expect them—young and old—to take most of Tuesday night and Wednesday to pass the casket.

It was announced that Ruth's body would lie in state from 5 p.m. until 10 p.m. today and from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. tomorrow in the rotunda of the Stadium—"The house that Ruth built."

Ruth's body was taken from the Memorial Hospital for cancer and tonight after the last fan has passed allied disease to the Universal Funeral and returned again to the Stadium chapel in mid-town Manhattan. Tomorrow.

Members of his family announced a Mass would be said for Ruth at 11 a.m. on Thursday at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Burial will follow at the Gates of Heaven Cemetery just outside the village of Yonkers in suburban Westchester county.

The funeral services were announced after an hour-long conference by J. Paul Carey, lifelong friend and treasurer of the Babe Ruth Foundation for underprivileged children, Melvin Lowenstein, attorney, and Mrs. Richard Flanders, one of Ruth's adopted daughters.

The family asked that flowers be omitted. "Babe had frequently expressed the feeling," Carey explained, "that making some kid happy was the best method of honouring a friend. If he were here today that would be his wish and therefore his family respectfully request that flowers be omitted."—United Press.

HOSPITAL DENIAL

The Memorial Hospital, centre for cancer and associated diseases at New York, today denied that Jeremiah, a new drug, had been used in the fight to save Babe Ruth's life.

A New York "Herald Tribune" story today said that Babe Ruth, famous American baseball star who died last night, "played a dramatic role in one of the most exciting medical investigations of this generation" and has been receiving rotopirin.

The newspaper said that doctors tried to save Ruth's life with the drug. He was one of the first patients to receive injections of the new drug and the improvement in his condition at first was described as remarkable, said the newspaper.—Associated Press.

Baseball

Chicago, Aug. 17.—Southpaw Johnny Schmitz halted the crushing Cardinals today as Chicago Cubs won a closely played game 4-2.

Schmitz allowed five hits, one less than Cubs got off three red bird pitchers.

Two were Stan Musial's 30th homer and another round tripper by Don Lang.

Musial's first smash tied him with Ralph Kiner of Pittsburgh Pirates for Major League leadership. Score was:

THE SCORE

	R	H	E
St. Louis	2	5	0
Chicago	4	6	0

HOW THEY STAND

American League			
	W	L	Perc.
Cleveland	67	42	.615
Philadelphia	67	43	.608
Boston	65	45	.591
New York	61	46	.570
Detroit	52	55	.480
Washington	44	65	.404
St. Louis	43	64	.402
Chicago	30	73	.330
National League			
	W	L	Perc.
Boston	62	47	.569
Brooklyn	58	47	.552
St. Louis	59	50	.541
Pittsburgh	53	56	.516
New York	54	52	.509
Philadelphia	47	62	.431
Chicago	44	65	.404

Heavy Programme For HK Interport Bowlers

Shanghai, Aug. 18.—The Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association has arranged a heavy programme for the Hong Kong Interport lawn-bowls team, expected to arrive here about September 7 and 8.

The visitors will play 11 straight matches beginning September 10, when they will meet the International Sporting Club.

The other engagements are:
Sept. 11—Vs. Clube Lusitano;
Sept. 12—First Interport;
Sept. 13—Vs. Dockyards;
Sept. 14—Vs. Shanghai Recreation Club;
Sept. 15—Second Interport;
Sept. 16—Vs. Hongkew Golf Club;
Sept. 17—Vs. Country Club;
Sept. 18—Third Interport;
Sept. 19—Vs. Barbarians Bowling Club and
Sept. 20—Vs. Shanghai Lawn Bowls Association.

The Shanghai Interport teams are scheduled to be chosen within the next few days by a Selection Committee composed of Messrs. G. B. Stormes, W. J. Ward and Vincent Xavier.—Reuter.

COUNTY CRICKET

GLAMORGAN AND DERBY IN CHAMPIONSHIP RACE

London, Aug. 17.—The race for the County cricket championship became even more intense as a result of the matches ending today, Derbyshire and Glamorgan head the table with 148 points each, but Derbyshire have only two games to play, whereas Glamorgan have three.

Surrey and Yorkshire, each with four matches to complete, come third and fourth with 144 and 140 points, respectively, the present champions, Middlesex, are still in the running, having 136 points and three games to play.

The vital game starting tomorrow is that between Glamorgan and Surrey at Cardiff.

Rain again interfered with the series of matches just finished and with only eight balls bowled on the last day of the game at Cardiff, Glamorgan failed to obtain full points against Northamptonshire, the bottom club.

It is to be hoped that the weather will improve to allow the remaining County fixtures to be played out properly, so that the leading teams may resolve their true merit in the closest race for some years.

Middlesex owed almost everything to R.V.W. Robins for their splendid victory. New in his 42nd year, Robins showed that he is still a fine batsman for the Kent attack showed no terrors for him and he made 101 and following this with 74 in 40 minutes in the second innings today, after Kent had set to win in two hours five minutes. They accomplished this with six minutes to spare.

Rain baulked Surrey from beating Gloucestershire at Cheltenham and thus going to the top of the table.

Prague Stages A "Baby Olympics"

Prague, Aug. 17.—The United States today swept the first three places in the opening 110-metre hurdle event of the "Baby Olympics" today, with Harrison Dillard winning in 14.2 seconds.

There was a capacity crowd of about 50,000 at Masaryk Stadium for the first of a two-day seven-nation competition. The weather was warm with a slight breeze and few clouds.

Dillard was closely pushed by Craig Dixon (US) who finished second in 14.8, Floyd Simmons of the United States was third in 15.1 and the Czechs took the next three places.

400 metre relay—United States (Ewell, Dixon, Simmons, Dillard) 43.1 seconds.—Reuter.

OLYMPIC GAMES

The Summing-Up

London, Aug. 17.—Lord Burghley, the Chairman of the Organising Committee of the Fourteenth Olympiad, has issued this message on the Games:

"The London Olympic Games of 1948 are over. It is for others and not for the Organising Committee to judge of their success."

"The outstanding feature of the whole Games has been the spirit that has run right through them. There has been a feeling, conscious and unconscious, in all who have come in contact with them, that there is a great hope for the future."

"The chosen youth of 59 nations has joined together in keen but friendly rivalry on the fields of sport and has lived happily in the same Olympic centres."

"Above all, as a splendid background, has been the friendly and sporting attitude of the British public."

"That this Olympic spirit, so well nourished during these Games, may go forth throughout the world and prosper and flourish exceedingly is the heartfelt wish of all."—Reuter.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

London, Aug. 17.—In the Scottish "B" Division game today East Stirling drew with Airdrieonians, each side scoring one goal.—Reuter.

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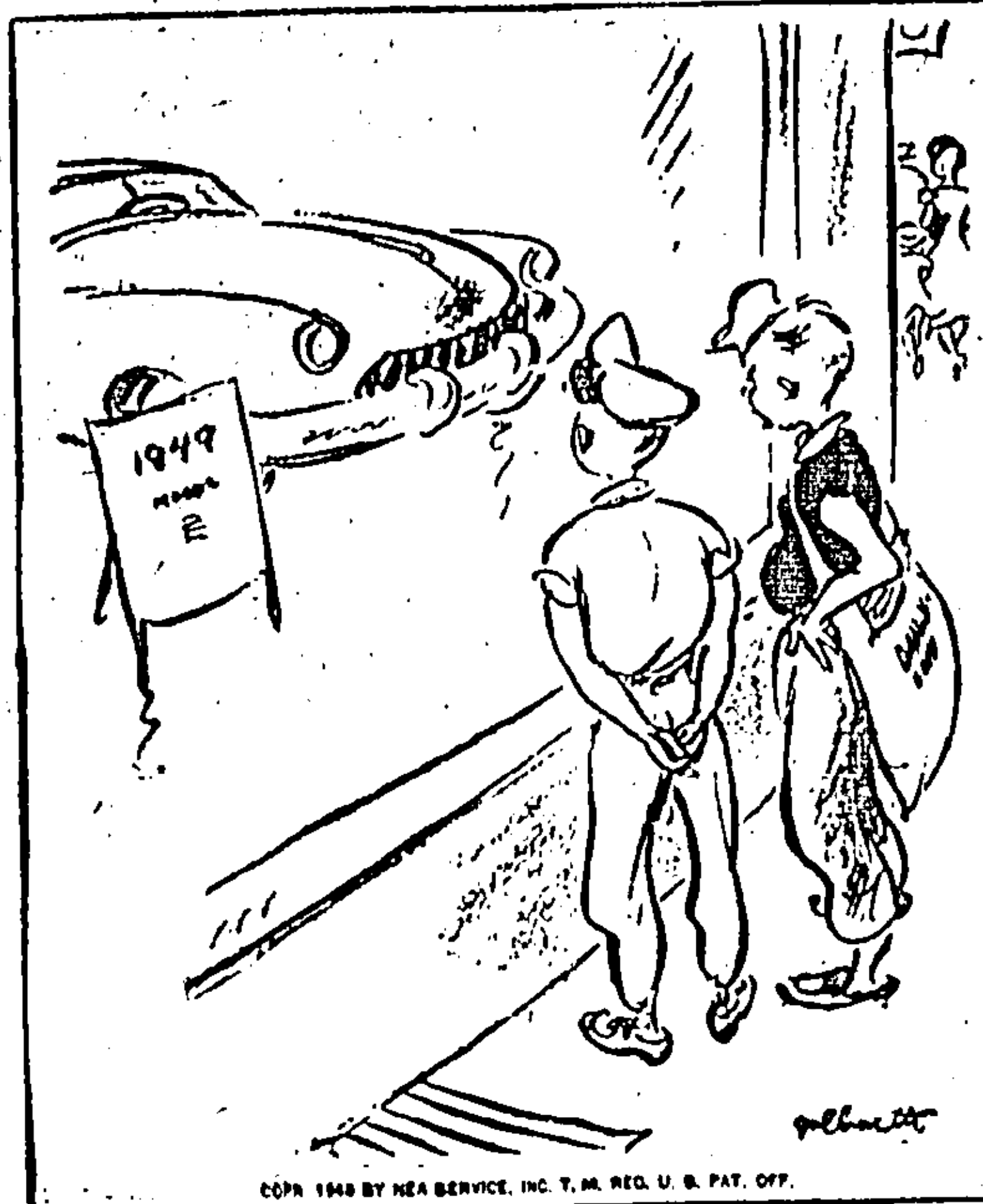
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Endplay Makes This Contract Possible

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

USUALLY not more than one or two members of a family gain a national reputation in tournament bridge, but there are three who have done so in the Leventritt family of New York City.

Reverend Leventritt is one of the nation's outstanding players, and his mother and father, Helen and Leo Leventritt, are known for their activities in the fight against cancer in children.

Not long ago, the Leventritt family conducted the annual rubber bridge tournament of The Whist Club of New York, as a result of which approximately \$4,000 will be made available for the fight against cancer in children.

Leo plays a pretty good game of bridge when he sits his mind to it, and the way he played today's hand proves it. East won the opening lead of the five of hearts with the

♠ Q95	♥ 370	♦ AKJ5	♣ 1076
♠ K	♥ 1095	♦ N	♣ 10143
♠ 4	♥ 1095	♦ E	♣ 10143
♠ Q1086	♥ 1095	♦ S	♣ 10143
♠ J4	♥ 1095	♦ Dealer	♣ 10143

Leo Leventritt
♠ A8762
♥ K2
♦ AK953
♣ 2

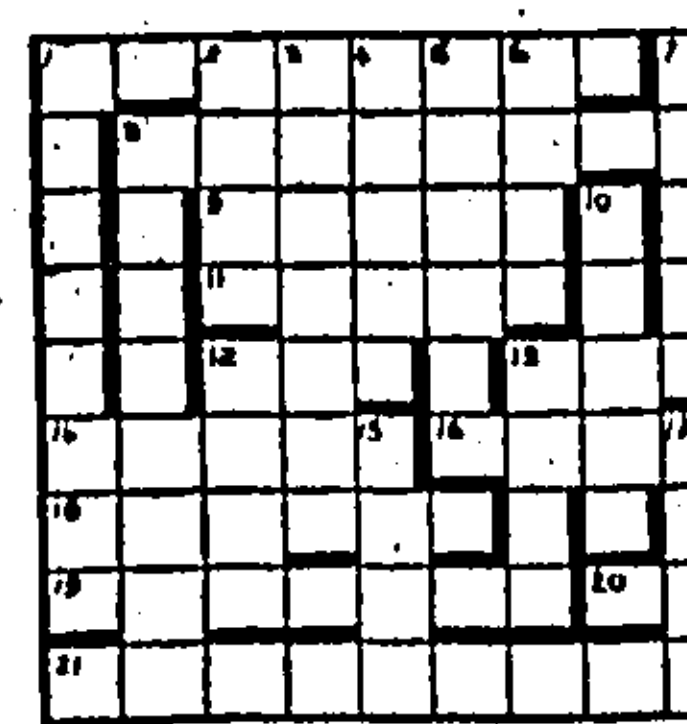
Tournament—E-W vul.
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 1 ♠ Pass
2 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass
3 ♠ Pass 3 ♠ Pass
Opening—♥ 5

ace and returned a heart which Leo won with the king.

He cashed the ace of spades, and when the blank king dropped from the West hand, he knew that East had two spade tricks. He had to lose a club and he had already lost a heart trick.

He wanted to make his contract, so he led the deuce of diamonds and finessed dummy's jack. When it held, he cashed the ace and king of diamonds and discarded the five and three of clubs from his own hand. Then he led the jack of hearts, ruffed it, cashed the ace and king of clubs, and when the jack fell from the West hand, he simply played another club and threw East in the lead. East was helpless. All he had was the jack, ten and four of spades. He led the jack, Leo won in dummy with the queen and gave East the ten of spades. The endplay had cheated East out of a trick.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE



Across
1. The makers of A.C. socks? (8)
2. Part of time you expect the clock to have. (6)
3. Actually a sharp ridge on stone or metal, sounds like two to a cockney? (8)
4. Drinking vessel. (5)
5. Bathful. (5)
6. Its dampness is reputed to bring forth new fruits. (6)

Down
7. Often the start of truck growth. (4)
8. Handed over for the time being only. (6)
9. Sea 1 Down. (4)
10. Up and coming island? (5)
11. Down
12. A common lad (4)
13. What a deer father! (4)
14. Joint. (7)
15. Big out. (6)
16. It gives little credit to the main tributary of the Thames. (6)
17. Usually a pleasant greeting. (4)
18. Very warm almost red hot. (4)
19. Santa's hoop will give you them. (6)
20. This one no doubt you know as moth. (4)
21. Taken from the one her door (4)
22. David of fat not difficult these days. (4)
23. Mend. (4)
24. Solution of yesterday's puzzle. (8)
25. Scattered. (4)
26. Ocean is 15 ft. (4)
27. Pickled. (4)
28. Lovers. (4)
29. Curly. (4)
30. 17. 10. 14. 18. 22. 24. 26. 28. 30. 32. 34. 36. 38. 40. 42. 44. 46. 48. 50. 52. 54. 56. 58. 60. 62. 64. 66. 68. 70. 72. 74. 76. 78. 80. 82. 84. 86. 88. 90. 92. 94. 96. 98. 100.

YOUR BIRTHDAY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

BORN today, you have an alert and inquiring mind which wants to be searching out new fields all the time. Original in both thought and action, you are also quick to give expression to your new ideas and are able, in this fashion to be your own good press agent. Yours is a positive personality and there is little doubt where you stand on a matter.

You have a rather argumentative nature and will discuss anything, just for the sake of getting everyone's ideas. Then, when it is all over, you will make full use of the best ones, discarding those you see are not popular for you are quick to catch the public trend. You have a tendency when it comes to business and will probably make a financial success of almost anything you undertake.

Your fund of energy, while tremendous, is not bottomless and

frequently you over-work to the point of exhaustion. You have the ability, however, to recuperate very fast and your best progress is made by alternate intervals of prodigious work and thorough relaxation.

Never permit yourself to be held down by an environment which restricts you. If you don't like what you have, go out for something better. Waiting for something to turn up will never solve your problem.

You are exceptionally generous to your friends, even lavish in your expressions of affection. Your love of nature is strong and an early marriage should bring you great happiness.

To find what the stars have in store for tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

LEO (July 24—Aug. 23)—Both business and social aspects are equally productive of good results, so work them in together advantageously.

VIRGO (Aug. 24—Sept. 22)—Be on the look-out for a new opportunity. It may involve a change, probably for the better. Act now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23—Oct. 23)—If this is your vacation time, plan to travel. New scenes and new faces will give you renewed interest in life.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24—Nov. 22)—Opportunity may beckon. Combine business and social contacts advantageously for the best possible results.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23—Dec. 22)—Make a new beginning in either romance or your work. This is a day for trying something different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23—Jan. 20)—A good day for partnerships, especially those of marriage. A new job might turn out well, too.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21—Feb. 19)—This is "not your day" to make a change. Stick to the old job and get results that way—a promotion, maybe.

PISCES (Feb. 20—Mar. 21)—A minor upset should not cause you to deviate from the path of success. There are powerful influences in your behalf.

ARIES (Mar. 22—Apr. 20)—Business improvement may be noted. Your dreams may appear significant just now. Regard them cautiously.

TAURUS (Apr. 21—May 21)—If needing legal advice seek it today and anticipate excellent results from your efforts.

GEMINI (May 22—June 22)—If you are planning a new store, office or business, this would be an auspicious day for a beginning.

CANCER (June 23—July 23)—One of those days when everything seems to turn out to your advantage: romance and business, both good.

MIDWEEK BOOK PARADE

ODYSSEUS
A Novel of Modern Times
By Rom Landau

(MacDonald, 12/6)

THAT the author of such books as "God is My Adventure" and "Sex, Life and Faith" would ultimately turn to the medium of the novel was only to be expected. Rom Landau is a humanist, a seeker after spiritual truth, whose beliefs can perhaps find their fullest expression in a living narrative.

John Pilgrim, the Odysseus of the title, is an intensely cosmopolitan, half English and half Russian, who, like the Greek Odysseus, journeys through a life of adventure in search of his home. But it is not a home

made of brick and stone that he seeks; it is nothing less than the haven of spiritual fulfillment.

In turn he tries to find such a haven in love and eroticism, in art, in economic success, in political and humanitarian activities, only to realize in the end that spiritual security is to be found neither in material success or failure, nor yet in religion. What the key to that security finally proves to be provides the main theme of this novel.

This modern Odyssey takes the reader from Tarsis Russia to Germany, to the Arabian desert to London and the English countryside as they were between two wars: to Italy, Hollywood and the Far East. In these changing scenes we meet saints and fools, the great and the humble.

Towering above them all is Pilgrim himself—Pilgrim who, for all his individuality, is something more than a single seaker.

ZBW RADIO

H.K.T. Programme Summary: 6.01, Children's "The Black Abbot" by G.M. Wilson (BBC2), Part 6 "The Abbot Unmasked"; 6.35, "Wednesday Serenade"; 7.15, "The Air Variety Request Show"; 7.30, "Presented by Susan Howard"; 8.00, "World and Home News (Studio)"; 8.15, "Records"; 8.30, "The Temple and the Sullivan Mystery"; 9.00, "Francis Durbridge Episode" (BBC2); 9.15, "Harmonica Recital by Clifford Davis"; 9.30, "Chamber Music with Piano Accompaniment"; 10.00, "Weather Report"; 10.15, "Short Story 'Blue Silk' by Jonathan Swift"; 10.30, "Radio News Reel (London Studio)"; 11.00, "Weather Report and Close Down."

OUTWARD MAILS

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18

Closing Times By Air

Shanghai, Nanking, Hankow, Tientsin, Peking, Amoy, Fuchow and Swatow, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok, Rangoon, Calcutta, Karachi, Bahrain, Cairo (Nairobi, Johannesburg, and Maraisburg via Cairo), Rome and London (via Canton), CPO 4.30 p.m.; (GPO) 5 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea and Train
Hankow (Sea) 3 p.m.
Shanghai (Sea) 3 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 4 p.m.
Canton (Sea) 4 p.m.
Canton (Parcels & 2nd class mail) (Sea) 5 p.m.

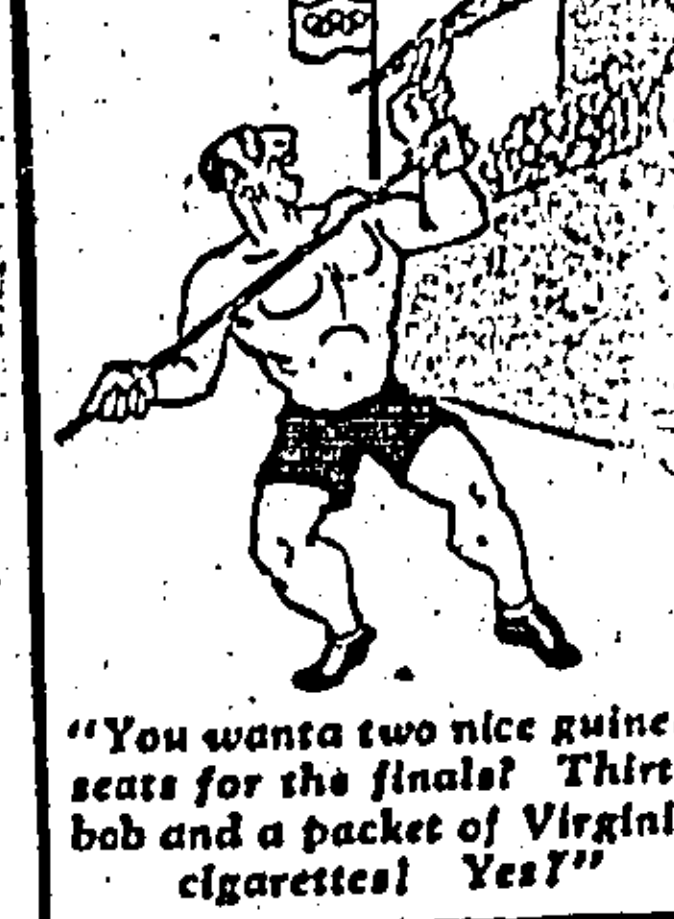
THURSDAY, AUGUST 19

Closing Times By Air

Canton, (Kowloon) CPO 7.30 a.m., 10.00 a.m., 12.30 p.m., 3 p.m.; (GPO) 7 a.m., 9 a.m., Noon, 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, 9 a.m. (reg); 9.30 a.m. (ord).
Macao, 3.30 a.m.
Kunming, Luchow, Amoy, Shanghai, Tientsin, Hankow, Peking, Fuchow, Swatow and Hellow, 3.30 p.m.
Bangkok, Singapore, Colombo, Sydney and Auckland, 3.30 p.m.
Sakon and Paris, 5 p.m.
Japan (Ordinary letters and cards only) 3 p.m.
Closing Times By Sea and Train
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 7.30 a.m.
Sakon, Mauritius and South Africa via Durban (Sea) Noon.
Formosa via Keelung and Honolulu (Sea) 2 p.m.
Swatow (Sea) 3 p.m.
Macao and Tientsin (Sea) 2 p.m. (Train)
Canton (2nd class mail only) (Train) 2 p.m.
Canada, Central and South America via San Francisco (No Parcels for Canada) (Sea) 3 p.m.
Manila (Sea) 3 p.m.
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Hellow and Sakon (Sea) 3 p.m.
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"You want two nice guinea seats for the final Thirty bob and a packet of Virginia cigarettes! Yes!"

BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

PICULASTERERS and snorlingpipers having discovered that it will be possible for private motorists to remove the red dye from commercial petrol, a strange and rare chemical is to be added to the mixture.

But by the time the secret apothecary of chemical police has tested the private motorist's petrol, to "ascertain" whether the dye and the chemical have been removed, the users of commercial petrol will have thought of a way to get back what the private motorists have taken from them. And all the while laughing pirates will be careering about the country with a mysterious yellow petrol, source unknown.

(For those who want to make their own gas turbine engine, I recommend a two-stage driving compressor should be ABOVE and not BELOW the central combustion chamber, thus isolating the Balmian cleaver-roller, and giving space for the air-intake.)

Smaller art?

MANY critics have mentioned that the great big picture, once so popular, is disappearing from the Academy. The craze is for smaller pictures, which take less time to look at. Next year there will probably be nothing much but miniature (described by a rather sporting visitor last year as "laughably small, but not bad, all the same"). Will sculpture become smaller and lighter, so that it will no longer be judged by its weight and bulk? At present critics delight to give the measurements of bits of sculpture, and "bigger strength" is the highest praise—usually meaning a shapeless lump.

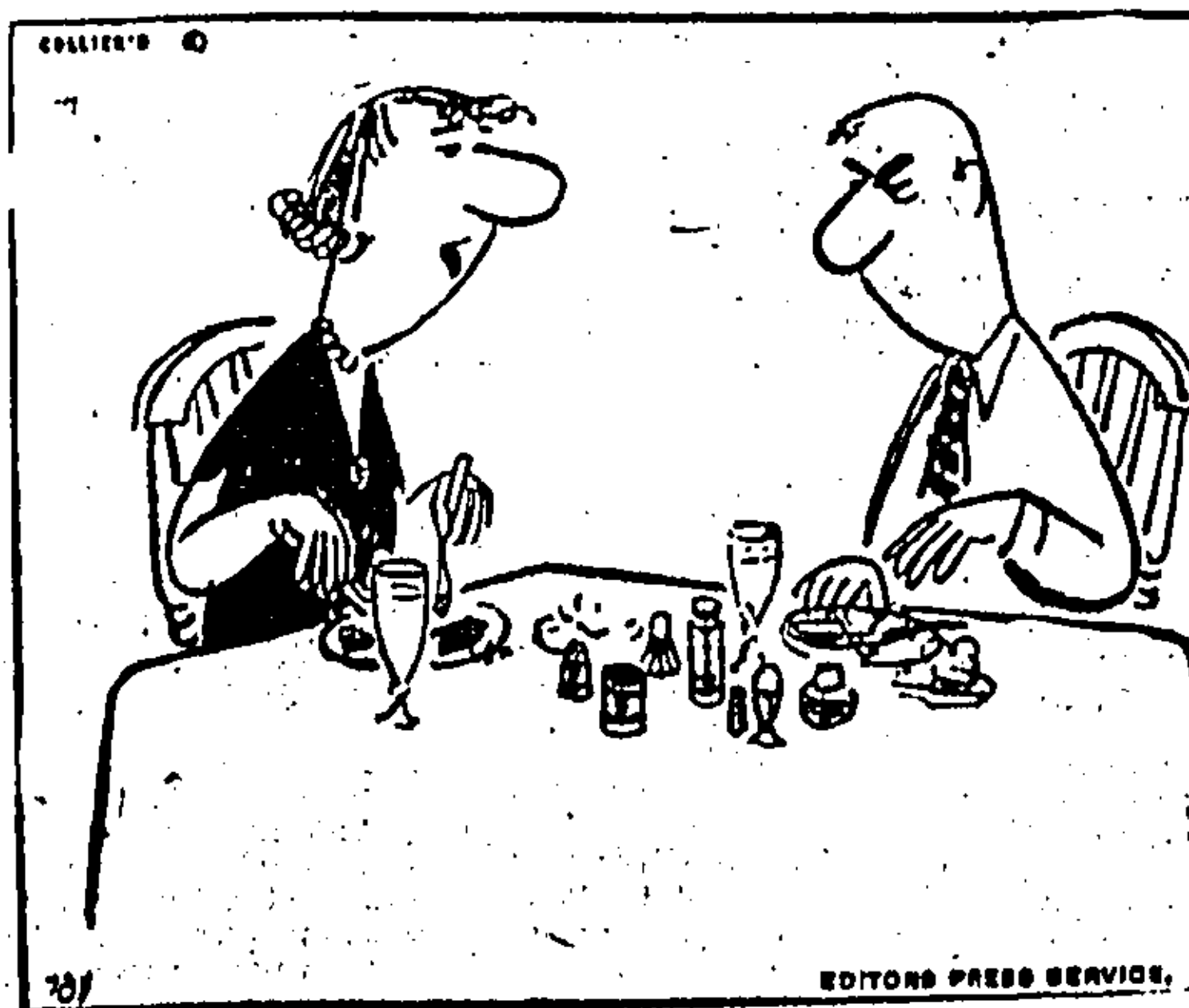
Big thinking

LET us never forget the wife of a sack of money, who purchased a tiny water-colour to fill a space on the walls of her boudoir. The sack of money said to her, "Damn it! We can afford something bigger than that!" Some time after that his son asked him for a violin. The proud sack of money promised him instead "the biggest 'cello I can find." It was the same man who, when his wife engaged a string quartet for a party, said, "Only four? Didn't it occur to you to get a really big quartet, with brass and all?"

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Answers

1. Wake Island. 2. The moon. 3. Richard Wagner. 4. In China. It has been in use there since 1200 B.C. 5. To give Poland a port on the Baltic. 6. In 1923.



"They're all salt, but only one of them shakes."

FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Sentiment In Rubber Market Improves

New York, Aug. 17.—Sentiment in the rubber market was much improved today, and futures closed 45 to 70 points higher on sales totalling 100 contracts.

EFFORTS TO SAVE HARVEST

London, Aug. 17.—The Army, Navy and Royal Air Force today sent men on an emergency loan into British storm-stricken harvest fields.

What three weeks ago was predicted as a bumper crop of wheat, oats and barley has been turned into gale- and rain-whipped fields of mud.

Damage was heaviest in the English "bread basket" area of Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Devon and Essex, where prospects had been brightest.

Battalions of soldiers, sailors and airmen moved into many fields today with old-fashioned scythes, to salvage what they could. They worked alongside students, Land Army girls and thousands of city folk who volunteered.

The Army arranged special leave for soldiers to go into the fields, especially soldiers with farm experience. The RAF granted 28 days' leave without pay to men formerly employed on farms or market farms.

The Admiralty, although short of men, said it would make men available for off-duty work near naval bases.—United Press.

HONGKONG SHARES

The Hongkong Stock Exchange passed another sluggish morning. Little business was registered, the turnover being valued at \$180,000.

Details of transactions and noon prices follow:—

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
BANKS			
HK Bank	2000	2030	10 @ 2010
HSBC	1000	1010	10 @ 2015
INSURANCES			
Canal	300	305	700
ICAC	200	205	200
DOCKERS, ETC.			
IC Wharf (O)	151	151	
IC Wharf (N)	150	150	
IC Wharf (S)	20	20	
IC Wharf (E)	83	83	
LAND, ETC.			
HK Land	1515	1515	
HK Land	78	80	333 @ 77 1/2
HK Land	201	201	300 @ 78
UTILITIES			
Tram	2120	2120	
Star Ferry	134	134	
C. Light (O)	21	21	500 @ 21
C. Light (N)	1710	1710	300 @ 30 1/2
Macro Electric	23	23	250 @ 30 1/2
Telephone (O)	40	40	
TELEPHONE			
Cement	30 1/2	40	100 @ 30 1/2
Rope	1750	1750	175 @ 17 1/2

NEW YORK METAL MARKET

New York, Aug. 17.—The following prices were quoted in the metal market here today:—
Antimony (American 90% percent) in bulk of car lots, F.O.B. Texas US\$0.35
Tin, Grade "A" (99.8 percent or higher) 1.03
Tungsten (standard) 99.95 percent 2.00
Wolframite (Chinese ore containing 70% tungsten, xide) duty paid F.O.B. New York per short ton 625/25.
The following prices were quoted for scrap:—
Copper F.O.B. per ton US\$15.75/18.00
Lead F.O.B. per ton 17.00/17.50
Steel F.O.B. per ton (No. 1 heavy melting) 38.00/39.00
—United Press.

BLACK PEPPER MARKET

New York, Aug. 17.—Black pepper futures today closed inactive and unchanged to 200 points higher. Potential buyers bid up the daily permissible rise, but sellers remained unattracted due to the strong spot situation.
Sellers asked 75 to 76 cents for Spot Lampung White Muntok. Spot was available from 75 to 77 cents.
Prices closed as follows:—
September 72.00 bid
October 71.00
November 70.00
December 69.00
January (1949) 68.00 nominal
March 67.00
May 66.00
July 65.00
Spot (White Muntok) 75/77.00
—United Press.

Taft-Hartley Law Invoked

Washington, Aug. 17.—The United States Government today set in motion the Taft-Hartley law machinery to prevent the East Coast dock strike set for midnight on Saturday.
President Truman's next move under the law will be to appoint a fact-finding board to investigate the dispute between East Coast shippers and the A. F. L. International Longshoremen's Association. The Taft-Hartley law forbids a strike while the investigation is being carried out.—United Press.

Shipment offerings were taken up, and inquiries from factories were reported for low-priced material.

It is understood that the Russian credits have been arranged and the Soviets will take up the heavy August commitments.

Wall Street reported speculative buying there, both covering and new investment, and it is predicted that the new advance has a fifty-fifty chance of carrying on tomorrow.

Prices closed as follows:—

August (in cents per lb.)	21.10 nominal
September	21.00 bid
October	20.75 nominal
November	21.14
December	21.20 traded
January (1949)	21.14 nominal
February	21.07
March	21.00 traded
April	21.00 nominal
May	21.00 asked
June	20.95 nominal
July	20.95
August	20.85
September	20.80
October	20.75

—United Press.

N.Y. FOREIGN EXCHANGE

New York, Aug. 17.—Foreign exchange closing rates were as follows:—

Argentina (Peso (Official))	US\$0.2077
Argentina (Peso (Unofficial))	2065
Australia	3.22
Brazil	2250
Belgium	2328-1/2
Canada	32-3/4
Chile	5700
England	4.83-1/4
France	9032-7/8
India	1490
Mexico	1490
New Zealand	523-1/4
Peru	3700
Portugal	604-1/4
South Africa	483-1/4
Sweden	2377
Switzerland	5300
Venezuela	0145
Shanghai (CNC\$100,000)	3777
Netherlands	4723
Singapore	2485

—United Press.

FOUND NOTE RATE

New York, Aug. 17.—The pound note in the unofficial market here was quoted today at US\$2.04.—United Press.

PARIS FREE MARKET

Paris, Aug. 17.—In the free market here today the US\$20 gold piece was quoted at 300 francs. The US\$1 note was quoted at 300 francs against the black market rate of 353 francs.—United Press.

London Stock Market

London, Aug. 17.—The London stock market moved slowly but warily today, faced with the possibility of a flare-up between East and West Europe or, alternatively, a period of international relief and ease.

Brokers and dealers kept a wary eye on the illuminated notice board with its travelling message of dividend announcements and preliminary earnings reports.

British Government stocks remained quietly steady, but whether this was due to intervention by a government stockbroker was not entirely clear.

Among industrial issues, iron and steel shares showed a hardening tendency but others were mostly down a few pence.

Tobacco issues sagged from early in the day until just before the close when they recovered, apparently on bear covering.

Road Transport shares were weak, with British Electric Traction falling 20 pounds Sterling.—United Press.

CHINA PRODUCE QUOTATIONS

New York, Aug. 17.—China produce was quoted in the New York market as follows:—
Anticid oil, per lb. F.O.B. 0.75/77
New York, per lb. F.O.B. 2.00/2.50
China oil, per lb. F.O.B. 2.05/4.05
Tung oil, per lb. F.O.B. 0.25-1/2
Sawdust, in drums depending on quantity & quality 13.00 nominal
Borax, 10 to 12 percent per ton 20.00/24.00
Molybdenum (90 percent) 6.45
per lb.—United Press.

Silver Prices

New York, Aug. 17.—Silver, per fine ounce, as quoted by Messrs. Harnett and Harmon 72 1/2 cents.—United Press.

LONDON SILVER

Silver, Spot, per ounce 44 1/2
Silver, Forward, per ounce 44 1/2
—United Press.

Exchange Rates

Business was done in the local unofficial exchange market this morning in the following rates:—
Chinese dollars (per CN\$1 m.) 6.70
Sterling note (per £1) 14.10
U.S. dollars (per US\$1) 0.45
Gold bars (per 100) 35.00
Pine scales (per 100) 12.50
NZ\$ guineas (per 100) 40.50

RELIEVING BESIEGED BERLINERS

Air Ferry Operates Like Clockwork RAW MATERIALS AS PART OF CARGOES

Berlin, Aug. 17.—Favoured by good weather, both Royal Air Force and United States Air Force cargo planes roared into Berlin like clockwork today.

In a 24-hour stretch ending at noon today, 619 British and American planes landed with more than 4,100 tons of supplies. After concentrating for almost 50 days on food and coal, the growing Anglo-American air lift today brought shoes and cigarettes for the more than 2,000,000 blockaded Germans.

A small amount of raw materials also were being flown in to keep Western Berlin's most essential industries operating on a minimum scale.

Vital finished goods, such as electrical equipment for the Ruhr mines, was being flown out.

These efforts demonstrated to the Russians that the Allies can expand its blockade breaking air supply line to Berlin to far greater limits if pushed by the Soviet refusal to lift its siege.

A Globemaster, loaded with 24 tons of flour, landed at the British-controlled Gatow airfield in a test flight. It was the biggest plane ever to land in Berlin and is capable of carrying almost four times the load of the American C-54 transport plane.

Officials said they did not know whether the 12 Globemasters now in the service of the United States Air Force, would be brought to Berlin.

EASY LANDING

However, the aircraft's commander, Captain Brady Cole, with the experience of flying the "hump" over the Himalayas behind him, said he believed the huge craft may be thrown into the airbridge "if the situation becomes critical enough."

It landed with ease at Gatow airfield. Air Force officials said it also could be brought into the American airfield at Tempelhof. Conditions there, however, are not ideal because Tempelhof is situated in the heart of ruined Berlin and approaches are more difficult.

After the Globemaster had returned to Frankfurt, USAF officials announced that the plane, capable of carrying 25 jeeps, will fly to Berlin again tomorrow with bulky pieces of engineering equipment.

An official spokesman said the machinery was of a type "used for construction purposes." It was thought the machinery, too bulky to be handled by other planes on the airfield, was intended for use in building the new airport at Tegel, in the French sector of Berlin.

Christians Who Are Also Communists

London, Aug. 18.—The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr. Geoffrey Fisher told a press conference today that many "excellent practising Christians are Communists."

The Anglican Communion, he said, opposes Marxian Communism but the church—its attitude clarified by the recent Lambeth conference—does not make a blanket condemnation of Communists. Though determined to fight Marxian Communism, the Archbishop said, the church does not join forces indiscriminately with all anti-Communist movements.

The Archbishop met correspondents from all parts of the world in Lambeth Palace, his official residence to clarify points of the Lambeth conference report, published yesterday evening.

QUALIFIED COMMUNISM

"Some practising Christians—a good many in Czechoslovakia and Russia—are political Communists," he said. "They believe in communal ownership of property and in other Communist economic theories but reject Marxian atheism and the Marxian denial of a future life."

The Church does not renounce such Communists, the Archbishop said, not so long ago Hitler was a vigorous opponent of Communism but it certainly would have been anything but wise to co-operate with him," he continued. "Not all anti-Communist forces are good forces."

"But the opposition to Marxian Communism has been solidified in the Anglican communion by the Lambeth conference," he said. He called attention to a resolution condemning it because it "encourages class warfare and regards the moral law as far from absolute but relative to the needs of the state."

The Lambeth conference, the Archbishop continued, has no legislative authority nor does it seek to impose its views on any church in the Anglican communion. "Its influence is advisory and its authority moral and spiritual," he explained. Associated Press.

American officials have said they were handicapped there by lack of bulldozers and other equipment. With bulldozers and other machines, construction at Tegel could be finished considerably ahead of the December deadline envisaged now by American engineers and so enable an even earlier expansion of the air lift with a third field.

SOVIET WARNINGS

The Russians, meanwhile, posted their usual warnings at the Berlin air safety centre that Soviet air craft would be flying in the air corridor lifelines to the west. No incidents were reported.

A report of industrial shutdowns came from the Soviet zone because of a shortage of supplies from the Ruhr and other western industrial centres.

The British licensed newspaper "Sozial Demokrat" said this was the result of the Anglo-American counter-blockade to the Soviet land blockade. This shut off Ruhr coal and steel from the Soviet zone plants.

On top of reports of widespread food shortages in the Russian zone, the Soviet Licensed German news agency ADN, revealed today a serious lack of farm machinery in the agricultural rich provinces of Brandenburg and Mecklenburg.

Heavy punishment was continuing to be handed out to what ADN called "economic saboteurs" in the Soviet zone. These were mainly hoarders of food and raw materials. Associated Press.

INCENTIVE PLANS TO GO

Frankfurt, Aug. 17.—The British and American Military Government plans will probably abandon incentive plans in the Ruhr coal mines within a few weeks, the American Commander (General Lucius Clay) said today.

General Clay told reporters, "The new deutechmark is a enough incentive." He added that the bonus plan under which is granted the privilege of making extra food purchases in dollars if production goals are met, might be scrapped as early as September 1.

Before reaching a final decision, however, General Clay and the British Commander (Lt.-Gen. Sir Brian Robertson) will tour the Ruhr on August 27 and 28, General Clay said.

He also told reporters that on the agenda were conferences with mine operators and Union leaders, as well as visits to mines. He said he was satisfied with the coal production improvement in the Ruhr and his visit with General Robertson would be "just to show our interest, which officials there tell us always helps."

Cancellation of the miners' incentive programme will wipe out the last of the year-old bonus schemes originally designed to boost yields in all crucial export industries in Western Germany. Similar plans in the manufacturing fields were abandoned shortly after the currency reform went into effect.

Meanwhile, Anglo-American plans for overhauling the bizonal steel production programme are awaiting a report by American experts, according to General Clay. United Press.

President Truman Accused Of Hiding Espionage Evidence

Washington, Aug. 17.—Representative J. Parnell Thomas today accused President Truman of hiding evidence of Soviet espionage and said that a hitherto unexposed conspiracy had been discovered which had betrayed "some of our most vital information" to Russia.

The New Jersey Republican promised that the full story of the new Red network would be told when his House Committee on Un-American Activities resumed public hearings on September 7.

The new ring, he said, is an entirely different affair from the two groups, which ex-Communists Elizabeth Bentley and Whittaker Chambers had previously sworn were operating inside the Government before and during the war.

He refused to give any further details, except to say the work of the third organization would be brought into "full focus" when the hearings reopened.

Rep. Thomas accused Mr. Truman of trying to suppress information on this alleged ring, as well as on

Victim Laughs At Tiger



Mrs. Mabel Stark, 60-year-old trainer from Thousand Oaks, Calif., laughs at the beast that attacked her during her act at the Shrine circus in Jackson, Mich. Mrs. Stark continued her performance for eight minutes after her thigh and ankle were deeply gouged by the tiger's claws. She received first aid from two physicians in the audience.—AP Picture.

Constitutional Reform For Falkland Is.

London, Aug. 17.—Sir Geoffrey Clifford, Governor of the Falkland Islands, is returning this week with proposals for constitutional reform in the islands, worked out during his four-week stay in London.

The plan is understood to provide for what is termed liberalisation of the present constitution, envisaging more ample rights for inhabitants in the election of their own representatives to the Legislative Council and for larger representation generally on the Legislative and Executive Councils.

COLONIAL OFFICE TALKS

"Sir Geoffrey, who arrived in London some four weeks ago, has held lengthy discussions with the Colonial Secretary, Mr. Arthur Creech Jones, and Colonial Office officials and experts.

Economic development projects were among problems discussed. Some prospects for improved communications, education and medical services have been initiated under the recent ten-year development plan. They include new fishing vessels, provision of radio or telephone to country districts, a new wireless station, hospital development, teachers' training, and others to be financed under development and welfare aid from the Colony's own resources.

An official statement on the new proposals will be released shortly by the Colonial Office.—United Press.

Catches Up With A Lost Tribe

Capetown, Aug. 17.—P. Imker Hoogenhout, Administrator of South-West Africa, reported today that he had found five members of the mysterious "lost" tribe of Strandlopers in the Hamib Desert.

Mr. Hoogenhout said it was believed that the tribe—long regarded as extinct—now numbered only 50 members. He said the five he saw were of dark complexion and were extremely primitive, using bows and arrows and making fire by rubbing sticks together.—United Press.

Inclusion Of Korea In ECA Possible

Washington, Aug. 17.—High-level discussions are going on which may soon put Korea into the Economic Co-operation Administration.

This was disclosed today by the most reliable sources, which said conferences were at present under way on whether the State Department or the ECA would inherit unexpected funds and administration of the Korean aid programme, which is at present under way.

So far ECA and Government sources have estimated the total programme could run as high as US\$100,000,000 for the fiscal year ending next June. This is based on the estimate of what will remain unspent out of funds which the U.S. Army will allot to Korea out of the US\$1,300,000,000 it has for all occupied areas.

It was expected to be likely that Korea would be merged into the China aid programme set-up, although respective funds would not be switched back and forth because they were appropriated specifically. They affect would be to encourage trade both with China and Japan, making it possible to ship more Korean rice to both.

PRE-WAR PATTERNS

China in turn might be able to supply Korea with coal while industrial goods in Japan might be purchased for Korea, re-establishing to some extent pre-war trade patterns.

Under the occupied areas appropriation act, Congress has the power to name the successor agency when the Army steps out of an occupied area or reduce its activity, as it will gradually in Korea with the establishment of the new Rhee Government and its recognition by the United States.

Some funds could be used to aid Dr. Rhee build up a new army. However, the decision on how much pressing food and rehabilitation needs could yield to spending for arms is a practical question which will be decided later. There is no legal bar to military aid to enable Korea to face a Communist threat from the North and internally.

The ECA chief, Mr. Paul Hoffman, has been keenly interested in Korea, having served on the Johnston Mission, which surveyed Korea and Japan. That report said any aid programme under a new government should "not be limited solely to relief."

SEPARATE DISCUSSIONS

The report also pointed out that the food problem could be met with sufficient fertilizer, but the lack of raw material was greater even than in Japan. The report also said the aim of the post-Army aid programme should be "to establish stable economic conditions, so necessary to encouraging development of free, democratic government."

It was reliably reported that discussions on bringing Korea into the ECA were independent of current negotiations with Dr. Rhee on the transfer of civil government power to the new Republic and the question of how long United States troops would stay on Korean soil. These joint discussions "are being held in Seoul."

The question of disposition of American funds, however, is purely a matter for the United States to decide. Once the ECA is set up in Korea, it is expected operation will follow the pattern both in Europe and China, where co-operation exists between the ECA and the recipient government.—United Press.

Planes Drop Food For Troops

Athens, Aug. 17.—Army planes today dropped food and ammunition to advanced columns of the Ninth and Tenth Greek Army Divisions, moving steadily through mountainous country in the Grammos area from the south and east towards the Albanian border.

A guerrilla stronghold on a mountain peak northwest of General Markos' captured Headquarters at Aetmoultz was stormed at the point of the bayonet, according to reports tonight.—Reuter.

French Lied Say Soviets

EXPLOSION CASUALTIES

Berlin, Aug. 17.—Russian correspondents charged tonight that 628 persons were killed in the July 28th Ludwighafen explosion instead of 223 as the French authorities announced.

Soviet journalists, who have just returned from an on-the-spot investigation at the invitation of the French in Ludwighafen, demanded a joint Four Power and German investigation of the "discrepancy" in the French casualty list.

The Russians claimed that shortly after the explosion for her armie announced a German death toll of 600, which was later revised to 220.

The Russian correspondents also claimed that 28 French were killed in the blast whereas the French authorities said that only three Frenchmen lost their lives in the disaster.

RUSSIAN ALLEGATION

The Russians said the man in charge of the plant was a "Colonel Weiss" from Strasbourg who is an expert in the V-2 rocket field and whose name has not even been mentioned by the French.

The journalists repeated earlier Russian charges that the explosion was caused by highly explosive V-2 rocket fuel which was being manufactured contrary to the Potsdam agreement to destroy the war potential of Germany.

The Russians made their charges at a press conference attended by some 80 correspondents of the Russian, Western Allied and German press.

The Russian journalists were George Korolkov of Pravda, who served as spokesman for the group, Eugene Ruzhnikov of the Star, Kovaney Galkin of the New Times, and Victor Nekrasov of the Literary Gazette.—United Press.

China Trade Prospects Not Bright

San Francisco, Aug. 17.—A United States commercial attaché, just returned from Shanghai, sees little hope of immediate revival of normal trade with China.

"China has vast resources and an industrious people," the attaché, Mr. Bland Calder, told the Chamber of Commerce, "but she cannot begin to recover until peace is realised, and that will take time."

He cited the Communist restriction on the flow of goods within the country and the terrible inflation. Even vitamin pills are hoarded in China as a hedge against currency and price inflation. Mr. Calder said in another talk before the San Francisco World Trade Association.

PRICE INFLATION
Mr. Calder said that part of the price inflation is the result of the psychological situation. The fear of currency inflation he said, has hiked prices so high that price inflation exceeds currency inflation. Commodities of all kinds are hoarded as a result.

The situation continued to go downhill, Mr. Calder said. The country cannot begin recovery, in his view, until there is peace. Then, he added, he is sure the Chinese people will be able to produce again and trade with the outside world will revive.—Associated Press.

INVITED TO BALMORAL

London, Aug. 17.—The 22-year-old Marquis of Blandford—the most often-mentioned of the Englishmen linked romantically with Princess Margaret—was en route to Balmoral Castle in Scotland today as the guest of the King and Queen.

It was presumed that Lord Blandford would remain at Balmoral for Margaret's 18th birthday on Saturday.

The Princess is expected to hold a birthday ball some time next week.

In respect for Scottish disapproval of holding celebrations on Sunday, it was reported that plans for having the ball on Saturday were cancelled, since it would run into early Sunday morning.—United Press.

Gaekwar Receives Advice

Bombay, Aug. 17.—Mr. K. M. Munshi, Indian Agent General of Hyderabad and authority on constitutional law, today conferred lengthily again with the Gaekwar of Baroda.

Mr. Munshi refused to comment, but it was believed he gave the Gaekwar advice regarding constitutional aspects of the charges levelled in Baroda that the Gaekwar had misappropriated Government funds.

The Gaekwar will leave for New Delhi tomorrow, reported to confer with Mr. Vallabhai Patel, Indian Deputy Premier and States Minister.—United Press.

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